

THE MEETING TRANSCRIPT OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



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1	[REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION
2	ON TUESDAY, MAY 24, 2016 ON PAGE 155]
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6	HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: GOOD MORNING. THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD
7	OF SUPERVISORS' MAY 24, 2016 MEETING WILL NOW COME TO ORDER.
8	THE INVOCATION THIS MORNING WILL BE LED BY THE REVEREND WOOGIE
9	DANIEL KIM, LEAD PASTOR, SHALOM CHURCH OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
10	ENGLISH MINISTRY IN TORRANCE, REPRESENTING THE FOURTH
11	DISTRICT, AND THE PLEDGE THIS MORNING WILL BE LED BY SCOTT F.
12	MCKEE, MEMBER OF THE AMERICAN LEGION LOS ANGELES, REPRESENTING
13	THE THIRD DISTRICT. WILL ALL PLEASE RISE?
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15	REV. WOOGIE DANIEL KIM: THANK YOU. IT'S A PRIVILEGE TO BE HERE
16	TO JUST BLESS ALL OF YOU. I JUST WANT TO REMIND YOU THIS
17	MORNING THAT AS WE COME, WE HAVE A LOT OF AGENDA. I'M SURE
18	THAT IT'S VERY IMPORTANT TO US, BUT LET ME JUST SIMPLY REMIND
19	YOU THAT WE ARE ALL CHILDREN OF GOD AND WE ARE VERY SMALL AND
20	WE ARE OUR FAMILIES, WE ARE OUR CHILDREN, WE ARE OUR COMMUNITY
21	AND THEY ARE A REFLECTION OF WHO WE ARE. SO I JUST WANT US TO
22	TAKE A MOMENT TO BE REMINDED OF THAT AND THAT WE MAY BE
23	CENTERED. AND TODAY I WILL BE PRAYING FOR ALL OF US HERE IN
24	THIS ROOM. SO LET US PRAY. OUR HEAVENLY FATHER, WE ARE YOUR
25	CHILDREN. OUR EXISTENCE PLEASES YOU. YOU KNOW US. YOU KNOW OUR



- 1 BROKENNESS, OUR FAILURES. YOU EVEN KNOW OUR DEEPEST SECRETS.
- 2 AND YET, YOU LOVE US. BECAUSE WE ARE YOUR CHILDREN, BECAUSE WE
- 3 ARE IN YOUR EYES, HELP US TO BE SIMPLY YOUR CHILDREN TODAY. WE
- 4 ASK YOU TO HELP US TODAY, MAKE US WHOLE, REMIND US THAT HOPE
- 5 WILL COME TO THOSE WHO SEEK IT FROM YOU. HELP US TO BE
- 6 VULNERABLE TO YOU. HELP US TO LET YOU TOUCH US WHERE WE HURT
- 7 SO THAT YOU MAY HEAL US THAT OUR SORROWS TURN INTO JOY. HEAL
- 8 OUR HOMES. WE HAVE BEEN BUSY TRYING TO HELP STRANGERS THAT WE
- 9 HAVE MADE STRANGERS OUT OF OUR FAMILIES. HELP US TO BELIEVE
- 10 THAT THERE IS STILL HOPE, BECAUSE YOU ARE THE ALMIGHTY GOD AND
- 11 WE TRUST IN YOU. FILL OUR HEARTS WITH YOUR HOPE. HEAL OUR
- 12 RELATIONSHIPS. EVEN IN THIS ROOM, REMIND US THAT WE ARE FELLOW
- 13 PATRIOTS, THAT WE ARE NEIGHBORS, THAT WE ARE FELLOW SERVANTS
- 14 AND COWORKERS WHO WANT TO MAKE THIS COUNTRY, COUNTY, A PLACE
- 15 OF JUSTICE AND PEACE, WHERE THE WEAK GET STRONG AND THE STRONG
- 16 LEARN HUMBLE SERVICE. FILL THIS ROOM WITH YOUR LOVE, AND LET
- 17 THIS LOVE PRODUCE JUSTICE AND PEACE FOR US. WE PRAY THIS IN
- 18 YOUR MERCY. AMEN.

- 20 SCOTT F. MCKEE: GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS SCOTT MCKEE, THE
- 21 DEPARTMENT SERVICE OFFICER FOR THE AMERICAN LEGION FOR THE
- 22 STATE OF CALIFORNIA. I'M GOING TO LEAD YOU IN THE PLEDGE OF
- 23 ALLEGIANCE. PLACE YOUR RIGHT HAND OVER YOUR HEART. IF YOU'RE A
- 24 VETERAN, YOU'RE FREE TO SALUTE. I AM NAVY TRADITION, SO I



1 UNCOVER WHEN I DO THE PLEDGE. PLEASE FOLLOW AFTER ME. [PLEDGE

2 OF ALLEGIANCE RECITED.]

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- 4 SUP. KNABE: THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.
- 5 IT'S A PLEASURE FOR ME TO WELCOME LEAD PASTOR DANIEL KIM OF
- 6 THE ENGLISH MINISTRY IN CHRISTIAN EDUCATION AT SHALOM CHURCH
- 7 OF SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA LOCATED IN TORRANCE. FOR THE PAST 20
- 8 YEARS, HE HAS SERVED THE ASIAN-AMERICAN COMMUNITY IN THE SOUTH
- 9 BAY BY PROMOTING THE CELEBRATION OF UNITY, BY BRINGING
- 10 CHURCHES TOGETHER FOR THE CAUSE OF SOCIAL JUSTICE BOTH LOCALLY
- 11 AND GLOBALLY. MORE RECENTLY HE HAS BEEN DEVOTING HIS TIME AND
- 12 ENERGY TO BRINGING THE CHURCHES TOGETHER TO HELP HOMELESS
- 13 CHILDREN IN SCHOOL, PREVENTING HUMAN TRAFFICKING IN SOUTHEAST
- 14 ASIA, AND HELPING THE REFUGEE CHILDREN FROM MYANMAR AND
- 15 THAILAND. HE'S ALSO SERVING AS CO-CHAIR OF THE BOARD OF
- 16 DIRECTORS FOR KOREAN CHURCHES FOR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT AND
- 17 THE DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT AND INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS AT
- 18 BIOLA UNIVERSITY, WHICH IS IN THE FOURTH DISTRICT OF LA
- 19 MIRADA, AND AS A COFOUNDER OF SOUTH BAY TOGETHER. WE
- 20 APPRECIATE HIM TAKING TIME OUT OF HIS VERY BUSY SCHEDULE TO DO
- 21 THE INVOCATION. AND I WOULD ADD, TOO, THAT PART OF HIS, AS HE
- 22 LEARNED IN HIS MINISTRY, WAS SURVIVING BEING THE YOUTH PASTOR
- 23 FOR MY STAFF MEMBER, REBECCA KIM. [LAUGHTER.] THANK YOU.
- 24 [APPLAUSE.]



1 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

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- 3 SUP. SHEILA KUEHL: THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. OUR PLEDGE THIS
- 4 WEEK WAS LED BY U.S. NAVY PETTY OFFICER FIRST CLASS SCOTT
- 5 MCKEE, RESIDENT OF THE THIRD DISTRICT, WHO SERVED IN SAUDI
- 6 ARABIA, QATAR AND EGYPT AND WAS MOST RECENTLY PART OF THE
- 7 NAVY'S MOBILE UNDERSEA WARFARE UNIT. OFFICER MCKEE IS HIGHLY
- 8 DECORATED, HAVING RECEIVED DOZENS OF COMMENDATIONS, AWARDS,
- 9 AND RIBBONS FOR HIS SERVICE. PLEASE HELP ME TO THANK HIM.
- 10 [APPLAUSE.]

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- 12 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU, EVERYONE. THIS MORNING WE'LL
- 13 NOW HAVE THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER CALL THE AGENDA.

- 15 LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: GOOD MORNING, MADAME CHAIR AND
- 16 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. TODAY'S AGENDA WILL BEGIN ON PAGE 3,
- 17 REPORT. ON ITEM NO. 1, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH HAS REQUESTED
- 18 THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO MAY 31, 2016. ON PAGE 4,
- 19 SPECIAL DISTRICT AGENDAS, AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE
- 20 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION. ON ITEM 1-D, THIS ITEM WILL
- 21 BE HELD WITH ITEM 1-H AND 5 FOR PUBLIC HEARING. ON PAGE 7,
- 22 AGENDA FOR THE MEETING OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY, ON ITEM 1-H,
- 23 THIS ITEM WILL BE HELD WITH ITEM 1-D AND ITEM NO. 5 FOR PUBLIC
- 24 HEARING. ON PAGE 8, PUBLIC HEARINGS, ITEMS 1 THROUGH 8, THESE
- 25 ITEMS WILL BE HELD FOR PUBLIC HEARING. AND ON ITEM NO. 9,



- 1 SUPERVISOR KNABE REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TO JUNE
- 2 28, 2016, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. THAT ITEM
- 3 IS BEFORE YOU.

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- 5 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THIS ITEM IS MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE.
- 6 SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

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- 8 LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: ON PAGE 12, WE BEGIN WITH
- 9 ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ITEMS 10 THROUGH
- 10 19. ON ITEM 14, AS REVISED AND REQUESTED, ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL
- 11 AGENDA, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
- 12 CONTINUED ONE WEEK TO MAY 31ST, AND THAT WAS AS POSTED ON THE
- 13 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ON ITEM NO. 15, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC
- 14 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 18, THIS ITEM WAS
- 15 REVISED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. THE REMAINING ITEMS ARE
- 16 BEFORE YOU. AND A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT NO. 18 BE
- 17 HELD, AS WELL.

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- 19 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THESE ITEMS HAVE BEEN MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
- 20 KNABE. SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

- 22 LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: ON PAGE 18, CONSENT CALENDAR, ITEMS
- 23 20 THROUGH 26, ON ITEMS 20 AND 21, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC HAVE
- 24 REQUESTED THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 22, SUPERVISOR KNABE
- 25 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 26, THE CHIEF



- I EXECUTIVE OFFICER REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TO JULY
- 2 5, 2016, AS INDICATED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. THE
- 3 REMAINING ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU.

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- 5 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THOSE ITEMS ARE MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL.
- 6 SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

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- 8 LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: ON PAGE 22, MISCELLANEOUS ADDITIONS
- 9 TO THE AGENDA WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE
- 10 OF THE MEETING, AS INDICATED ON SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. THE
- 11 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA NOTES THAT SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS WILL
- 12 BE TELECONFERENCING FROM 1100 K STREET, SUITE 400, SACRAMENTO,
- 13 CALIFORNIA. HE WILL BE ABSENT FROM TODAY'S MEETING. ON ITEM
- 14 27-A AND ITEM 27-B, MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC HAVE REQUESTED THAT
- 15 THESE ITEMS BE HELD. ON 27-C, SUPERVISOR KNABE REQUESTS THAT
- 16 THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 27-D, THIS ITEM IS BEFORE YOU.

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- 18 LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: THESE ITEMS MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
- 19 KNABE. SECONDED, WITHOUT OBJECTION.

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- 21 LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: ON ITEM 27-E, SUPERVISOR KUEHL
- 22 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 27-F, THIS ITEM IS
- 23 BEFORE YOU.



- 1 LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: THIS ITEM IS MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
- 2 ANTONOVICH. SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SUCH WILL BE THE
- 3 ORDER.

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- 5 LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: ON PAGE 25, NOTICES OF CLOSED
- 6 SESSION FOR MAY 24, 2016. ON ITEM C.S.-1, AS NOTED ON THE
- 7 SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA, COUNTY COUNSEL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE
- 8 REFERRED BACK TO HER OFFICE. ON ITEM C.S.-2, A MEMBER OF THE
- 9 PUBLIC HAS REQUESTED THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM C.S.-3,
- 10 COUNTY COUNSEL REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED ONE WEEK
- 11 TO MAY 31, 2016, AS NOTED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. AND ON
- 12 ITEM C.S.-4, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC HAS REQUESTED THAT THIS
- 13 ITEM BE HELD. THAT COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA. BOARD
- 14 OF SUPERVISORS SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT
- 15 NO. 1.

- 17 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: VERY GOOD. OKAY. THANK YOU, MEMBERS OF THE
- 18 BOARD. THIS MORNING I'D LIKE TO PRESENT AND INVITE THE NEW
- 19 CONSUL GENERAL OF PARAGUAY IN LOS ANGELES, THE HONORABLE
- 20 ROBERTO BENITEZ TO COME FORWARD. THE CONSUL GENERAL IS A
- 21 CAREER OFFICER WITH THE PARAGUAYAN MINISTRY OF FOREIGN
- 22 AFFAIRS. HE OVERSEES POSTS THAT HAVE INCLUDED THE MINISTER IN
- 23 EMBASSY OF PARAGUAY IN BRAZIL FROM 2004 TO 2009, CONSUL OF THE
- 24 EMBASSY OF PARAGUAY IN ROME, ITALY FROM 1996 TO 2000, AND
- 25 CONSUL IN GENOA, ITALY IN 1994 AND IN MILAN, ITALY IN 1995. HE



- 1 EARNED HIS MASTER'S DEGREE IN INTERNATIONAL RELATIONS IN THE
- 2 POSTGRADUATE SCHOOL OF EUROPEAN STUDIES AND HIS LAW DEGREE AT
- 3 THE NATIONAL UNIVERSITY OF ASUNCION IN PARAGUAY. HE SPEAKS
- 4 ITALIAN, ENGLISH, AS WELL AS SPANISH. HE CAME TO LOS ANGELES
- 5 FROM HIS POSITION AS DIRECTOR FOR THE OFFICE OF EUROPEAN
- 6 AFFAIRS IN THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS. ON BEHALF OF THE
- 7 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND THE 10 MILLION RESIDENTS THAT WE
- 8 REPRESENT, WE ARE PLEASED TO WELCOME CONSUL GENERAL BENITEZ TO
- 9 LOS ANGELES AND WE PLEDGE OUR SUPPORT TO HIM AND TO HIS
- 10 COUNTRY. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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- 12 HON. ROBERTO BENITEZ: GOOD MORNING. THANK YOU, MS. HILDA
- 13 SOLIS, SUPERVISORS. I COME FROM A SMALL COUNTRY SITUATED IN
- 14 THE HEART OF SOUTH AMERICA. [SPEAKING SPANISH]

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- 16 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: [SPEAKING SPANISH] IF ALL THE MEMBERS
- 17 WOULD LIKE TO JOIN US? MEMBERS OF THE BOARD?

- 19 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU, MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE AND
- 20 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. SOME OF YOU MAY KNOW THAT MAY IS FOSTER
- 21 CARE AWARENESS MONTH. AND TODAY I'M VERY PLEASED AND DELIGHTED
- 22 TO BE MAKING THIS VERY SPECIAL PRESENTATION. THE INDIVIDUALS
- 23 BEHIND ME TODAY PERFORM, AS YOU MAY KNOW, A VERY IMPORTANT
- 24 ROLE IN OUR SOCIETY AS FOSTER PARENTS AND KINSHIP PROVIDERS.
- 25 I'D LIKE TO START WITH THE INDIVIDUALS FROM MY OWN DISTRICT.



- 1 OVER THE LAST TWO YEARS, MR. AND MRS. AMES HAVE PROVIDED
- 2 FOSTER CARE FOR FIVE CHILDREN, INCLUDING A 15-YEAR-OLD CHINESE
- 3 BOY WHO REUNIFIED WITH HIS FAMILY RECENTLY. IN ADDITION,
- 4 THEY'RE PURSUING ADOPTION OF A FILIPINO CHILD CURRENTLY IN
- 5 THEIR CARE, AS FAMILY REUNIFICATION SERVICES HAS NOT BEEN
- 6 SUCCESSFUL. MRS. AMES HAS BEEN EXTREMELY INSTRUMENTAL IN THE
- 7 ASIAN-CHINESE-AMERICAN FOSTER RECRUITMENT INITIATIVE SINCE IT
- 8 WAS LAUNCHED BACK IN JANUARY OF 2015 TO MEET THE GROWING NEEDS
- 9 OF CULTURALLY AND LINGUISTICALLY COMPETENT FOSTER PARENTS TO
- 10 PROVIDE FOSTER CARE TO CHILDREN OF ASIAN DESCENT. SHE HAS
- 11 SPOKEN AT LOCAL INFORMATIONAL SESSIONS AND WAS INTERVIEWED
- 12 RECENTLY ON N.P.R., K.P.C.C. AND ON JULIETTE'S L.A. LIVING
- 13 SHOW ON L.A.18, AS WELL AS OTHER NEWS OUTLETS AND BROADCAST
- 14 MEDIA TO PROMOTE SUCH NEED. D.C.F.S. IS VERY FORTUNATE TO HAVE
- 15 FAMILIES LIKE MR. AND MRS. AMES WHO UNDERSTAND THE IMPORTANCE
- 16 OF PROVIDING A FAMILY ENVIRONMENT THAT IS SIMILAR IN CULTURE
- 17 TO HELP GRIEVING CHILDREN WHO HAVE BEEN UPROOTED FROM THEIR
- 18 BIRTH FAMILIES DUE TO ABUSE OR NEGLECT. SO WE WANT TO
- 19 CONGRATULATE YOU. THANK YOU. BECAUSE SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS
- 20 IS NOT WITH US TODAY, I'LL BE PRESENTING HIS HONOREES. THE
- 21 INDIVIDUAL WHO HAS BEEN RECOGNIZED BY THE SECOND DISTRICT IS
- 22 MISS EMMA CROSS. MISS CROSS HAS BEEN CARING FOR HER GREAT-
- 23 GRANDCHILDREN FOR OVER THE PAST EIGHT YEARS. SHE PROVIDES
- 24 UNWAVERING LOVE AND SUPPORT FOR THE CHILDREN IN HER HOME. MISS
- 25 CROSS IS RESOURCEFUL, SEEKING OUT RESOURCES IN HER COMMUNITY



- 1 ON NETWORKING WITH OTHER RELATIVE CAREGIVERS. SHE IS WELL-
- 2 RESPECTED WITHIN THE KINSHIP COMMUNITY AND HAS BECOME AN
- 3 ADVOCATE FOR HERSELF AND FOR OTHERS. MISS CROSS, WE ARE SO
- 4 PROUD THAT THE CHILDREN THAT YOU PROVIDE TO CONTINUE THEIR
- 5 FOCUS ON EDUCATION AND HARMONY AND ALL THAT THEY DO, WE OWE
- 6 YOU A GREAT DEAL OF GRATITUDE FOR BOTH OF YOU. WE ARE VERY,
- 7 VERY DELIGHTED TO BE ABLE TO PRESENT YOU WITH THIS AWARD
- 8 TODAY. AND NOW I WILL ASK SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH TO PLEASE ALSO
- 9 RECOGNIZE HIS HONOREE.

- 11 SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH: TODAY WE WILL RECOGNIZE JUNE BOOKER,
- 12 WHO HAS MET ONE OF OUR GREATEST NEEDS, AND THAT'S FOSTERING
- 13 FOSTER CHILDREN. OVER THE PAST 26 YEARS, SHE HAS FOSTERED OVER
- 14 61 CHILDREN, ESPECIALLY THOSE, INCLUDING THOSE WITH SPECIAL
- 15 DEVELOPMENTAL NEEDS. SHE ALWAYS HAD A GREAT PASSION FOR
- 16 CHILDREN. SHE TOOK CARE OF MANY OF HER FAMILIES' MEMBERS
- 17 CHILDREN, AND HAD A GREAT CHILDCARE BUSINESS FOR 10 YEARS. SHE
- 18 THEN DECIDED SHE WANTED TO HELP FOSTER CHILDREN AND PROVIDE
- 19 THAT LOVING GUIDANCE AND DIRECTION AND GIVE BACK TO HER
- 20 COMMUNITY. THE CHILDREN IN OUR SYSTEM WHO ARE FORTUNATE ENOUGH
- 21 TO HAVE BEEN PLACED WITH HER CONTINUE TO BENEFIT WITH HER
- 22 COMPASSION, HER COMMITMENT AND HER DEDICATION. SHE'S COMMITTED
- 23 TO PROVIDING CARE FOR CHILDREN BECAUSE SHE KNOWS THAT WE HAVE
- 24 A GREAT NEED FOR LOVING AND CARING PARENTS. SO WE WANT TO



1 THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE'RE VERY APPRECIATIVE OF YOUR

2 LEADERSHIP AND IN DOING WHAT IS SO NECESSARY. [APPLAUSE.]

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- 4 SUP. SHEILA KUEHL: THE HONOREE FROM THE THIRD DISTRICT COULD
- 5 NOT ATTEND TODAY, BUT I KNOW THAT PEOPLE ACTUALLY, SUPRISINGLY
- 6 ENOUGH DO WATCH THIS ON TELEVISION, BECAUSE NEXT WEEK WE'RE
- 7 GOING TO BE TALKING ABOUT FAMILIES WHO CARE FOR THEIR
- 8 RELATIVES, AS WELL. I'D LIKE TO JUST HONOR HER IN CASE ANYONE
- 9 IS WATCHING. AND THE HONOREE FROM THE THIRD DISRICT IS BLANCA
- 10 RODRIGUEZ. THERE'S A WELSH SAYING, "PERFECT LOVE SOMETIMES
- 11 DOES NOT COME UNTIL THE FIRST GRANDCHILD." SO, WE WANTED TO
- 12 RECOGNIZE THIS EXTRAORDINARY GRANDPARENT, WHO LIVES IN VAN
- 13 NUYS, HAS BEEN PROVIDING KINSHIP CARE FOR HER GRANDSON BRIAN
- 14 FOR THE LAST TWO YEARS. HE'S CURRENTLY IN THE NINTH GRADE,
- 15 ATTENDING GRANT HIGH SCHOOL, AND PARTICIPATING IN A TUTORING
- 16 PROGRAM AFTER SCHOOL. HIS GRANDMOTHER IS SHOWING HIM AMAZING
- 17 LOVE AND DEVOTION, TRYING TO HELP HIM TO OVERCOME TROUBLED
- 18 TIMES IN THE PAST. SHE'S DOING WHATEVER IT TAKES TO PROVIDE
- 19 HIM WITH A STABLE ENVIRONMENT, EVEN TO THE EXTENT OF
- 20 SACRIFICING SOME OF HER OWN JOB OPPORTUNITIES. SO I WANTED TO
- 21 MENTION HER, AND IF SHE'S WATCHING, TO CONGRATULATE HER. THANK
- 22 YOU, MADAME CHAIR.

- 24 SUP. KNABE: IN THE FOURTH DISTRICT, AS WELL, OUR HONOREE WAS
- 25 NOT ABLE TO ATTEND, AND I THINK ONCE I READ THIS, YOU'LL



- 1 UNDERSTAND WHY. FLORINA DAVINA, A MATERNAL AUNT, HAS BEEN
- 2 PROVIDING KINSHIP CARE TO HER NIECE AND TWO NEPHEWS ALL UNDER
- 3 THE AGE OF FIVE. MRS. DAVILA HAS BEEN CARING FOR HER NIECE AND
- 4 NEPHEWS FOR THE PAST FOUR YEARS. SHE STEPPED UP TO CARING FOR
- 5 THE TWO YOUNGEST THAT ARE ONLY MONTHS APART. SHE HAS
- 6 DEMONSTRATED HER COMMITMENT TO THE CHILDREN BY LEAVING HER
- 7 EMPLOYMENT TO CARE FULL-TIME FOR THEM. AND SHE DID NOT GIVE UP
- 8 EVEN WHEN SHE WENT WITHOUT FUNDING FOR A FEW MONTHS. SHE
- 9 PROVIDES UNWAVERING LOVE AND SUPPORT FOR THE CHILDREN. AND
- 10 THEY ARE THRIVING IN HER CARE. MRS. FLORINA HAS DONE A
- 11 WONDERFUL JOB CARING FOR THE CHILDREN AND IS VERY RESOURCEFUL
- 12 TO ENSURE THE CHILDREN'S NEEDS ARE MET. SHE AND THE CHILDREN'S
- 13 FACES HAVE BECOME QUITE FAMILIAR, WITH OUR STAFF HAS BEEN VERY
- 14 HAPPY COMMUNICATING WITH THE KINSHIP AND COMMUNITY ACTIVITIES.
- 15 CONGRATULATIONS, THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

- 17 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: MEMBERS, IT'S MY HONOR THIS MORNING ALSO
- 18 TO PAY TRIBUTE TO OUR PUBLIC SAFETY DISPATCHER OF THE YEAR ON
- 19 THIS DAY. LISA HENNESSY, RIGHT? AND HER HUSBAND SCOTT. THANK
- 20 YOU. THANK YOU BOTH. OPEN APRIL 13TH OF 2004, THE LOS ANGELES
- 21 COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS PROCLAIMED THE SECOND WEEK OF
- 22 APRIL AS NATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATORS WEEK. DURING THE WEEK,
- 23 TELECOMMUNICATORS THROUGHOUT THE NATION ARE RECOGNIZED FOR
- 24 THEIR OUTSTANDING EFFORTS AND DEVOTION TO THE COMMUNITIES THAT
- 25 THEY SERVE. MANY TIMES, PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNICATORS ARE THE



- 1 FIRST LINE OF ASSISTANCE WHEN THE COMMUNITY CALLS INTO THEIR
- 2 DISPATCH. ALTHOUGH THEY ARE RARELY SEEN AND HEARD BY THE
- 3 PUBLIC, DISPATCHERS ARE THE BEHIND THE SCENES LINK BETWEEN
- 4 THOSE IN NEED AND THOSE THAT CAN HELP. THE DEPARTMENT'S
- 5 TRADITION OF RECOGNIZING ONE PUBLIC SAFETY DISPATCHER EACH
- 6 YEAR STARTED BACK IN 1986. IN CELEBRATION OF THIS EVENT,
- 7 SHERIFF JIM MCDONNELL RECOGNIZED THE PUBLIC SAFETY DISPATCHERS
- 8 AND PRESENTED THIS YEAR'S PUBLIC RESPONSE DISPATCHER OF THE
- 9 YEAR AWARD TO LISA HENNESSY. LISA STARTED HER CAREER AS A
- 10 DISPATCHER WITH THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT
- 11 BACK IN 2003 AND IS A QUALIFIED TRAINING OFFICER. SHE'S ALSO
- 12 INVOLVED IN A PROJECT WHERE VICTIMS OF VIOLENT CRIMES ARE
- 13 PROVIDED ASSISTANCE IN VARIOUS WAYS. WE WANT TO THANK HER AND
- 14 HER SPOUSE AND ALL THE MEN AND WOMEN WHO PROVIDE THIS
- 15 ASSISTANCE TO US. THOSE ARE THE SOMETIMES UNSEEN HEROS THAT
- 16 HELP SAVE THE DAY. SO WE ARE HONORED TO PRESENT THIS AWARD
- 17 SIGNED BY ALL THE BOARD MEMBERS AND I'LL ASK THEM TO COME
- 18 FORWARD AND TAKE A QUICK PHOTO WITH US. [APPLAUSE.]

20 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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- 22 SUP. KNABE: THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. AT THIS TIME, THERE THEY
- 23 ARE, I CALL FORWARD MARCIA MAYEDA, OUR DIRECTOR OF ANIMAL CARE
- 24 AND CONTROL. OVER THE PAST FIVE YEARS THROUGH THE HORSE CARE
- 25 AND ADOPTIONS PROGRAM, THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF



- 1 ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL HAS SUCCESSFULLY FOUND FOREVER HOMES
- 2 FOR 153 HORSES AND IS COMMITTED TO BRING FORTH AWARENESS OF
- 3 THIS WONDERFUL SPECIES. THEY HAVE ESTABLISHED THE EQUINE
- 4 RESPONSE TEAM IN 1999, WHICH HANDLES EVACUATIONS,
- 5 TRANSPORTATION, AND HOUSING OF LARGE ANIMALS DURING DISASTERS
- 6 AND EMERGENCIES. WITH PARTNERS SUCH AS THE COUNTY ANIMAL CARE
- 7 AND CONTROL AND THE FOUNDATION, THEY'RE ABLE TO INVESTIGATE
- 8 ANIMAL CRUELTY CASES, PROVIDING HOUSING AND MEDICAL CARE TO
- 9 INJURED OR NEGLECTED HORSES AND FIND THEM NEW LOVING FOREVER
- 10 HOMES. AT THIS TIME, I BELIEVE IT SAYS HERE, I'D LIKE TO SHOW
- 11 YOU ONE OF THE LATEST SUCCESSFUL ADOPTIONS THE COUNTY WAS
- 12 INVOLVED IN. A FEMALE MARE WAS BROUGHT INTO ONE OF THE
- 13 COUNTY'S ANIMAL CARE CENTERS AFTER BEING RESCUED FROM THE
- 14 DEPARTMENT FROM INHUMANE CONDITIONS AND GIVEN TIME AND
- 15 EXCELLENT CARE. WILLOW WAS BROUGHT BACK TO FULL HEALTH AND WAS
- 16 ABLE TO FIND HER FOREVER HOME ON APRIL 1ST OF THIS YEAR. HORSE
- 17 CARE AND ADOPTION PROGRAMS DEMONSTRATE THE SUPPORT FOR THE
- 18 EQUINE POPULATION OF THE COUNTY, WHICH ENRICHES THE LIVES OF
- 19 ALL OF OUR FAMILIES. IF ANYONE IS INTERESTED IN HORSE
- 20 ADOPTION, YOU CAN CALL THE NUMBER ON YOUR SCREEN. IN ADDITION,
- 21 WE'D ALSO LIKE TO MAKE MENTION THAT TODAY THE BOARD IS
- 22 SUPPORTING A MOTION THAT WE WILL BRING FORTH ON JUNE 4TH AS
- 23 NATIONAL TRAILS DAY IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND URGE EVERYONE TO
- 24 EXPLORE OUR MULTI-USE TRAIL NETWORK, WHETHER YOU CHOOSE TO GO
- 25 OUT AND ENJOY HIKING, RIDING OR BIKING OUR TRAILS. MY OFFICE,



- 1 ALONG WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF PARKS AND RECREATION AND THE
- 2 OTHER OFFICES, WILL COMMEMORATE NATIONAL TRAILS DAY IN THE
- 3 COUNTY WITH A MULTI-USE TRAILS DAY CELEBRATION ON JUNE 4TH AT
- 4 PATHFINDER PARK IN ROWLAND HEIGHTS FROM 8 A.M. TO 2 P.M. THIS
- 5 WILL INCLUDE TRAIL EXCURSIONS, EDUCATIONAL WORKSHOPS, A TRAILS
- 6 FAIR, FOOD, AND ENTERTAINMENT. SO WE INVITE ALL OF YOU TO
- 7 BRING YOUR FAMILY AND FRIENDS AND SHOW YOUR SUPPORT FOR THE
- 8 COUNTY AND MULTI-USE TRAILS NETWORK. LASTLY, WE'D LIKE TO
- 9 THANK PARKS AND RECREATION AND ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL FOR
- 10 THEIR COORDINATED EFFORTS TO RECENTLY HELP US HIGHLIGHT THE
- 11 COUNTY'S HORSE ADOPTION PROGRAM AND OUR COUNTY'S MULTI-USE
- 12 TRAIL NETWORK. SO ON BEHALF OF MYSELF AND MY COLLEAGUES ON THE
- 13 BOARD, WE'D LIKE TO PRESENT THIS SCROLL AND CONGRATULATE AND
- 14 URGE YOU ALL TO JOIN US ON JUNE 4TH. [APPLAUSE.]

- 16 MARCIA MAYEDA: THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. I'M REALLY HONORED AND
- 17 PLEASED THAT WE'RE ABLE TO HIGHLIGHT OUR ADOPTION PROGRAM FOR
- 18 THE DEPARTMENT. MANY PEOPLE DON'T UNDERSTAND OR REALIZE THAT
- 19 WE TAKE IN MANY MORE ANIMALS OTHER THAN DOGS AND CATS. AND WE
- 20 DO TAKE IN A NUMBER OF HORSES EVERY YEAR THAT MAKE WONDERFUL
- 21 COMPANIONS. THEY CAN BE VERY GOOD RIDING HORSES OR JUST
- 22 COMPANIONS FOR EXISTING HORSES THAT MAY NEED ANOTHER FRIEND IN
- 23 THE FIELD TO HANG OUT WITH THEM. SO WE REALLY APPRECIATE THIS
- 24 RECOGNITION, AND AS A FELLOW EQUESTRIAN THAT USES L.A. COUNTY
- 25 TRAILS WITH MY HORSE, I REALLY ENCOURAGE EVERYBODY TO DO THAT,



- 1 AS WELL. WE HAVE SOME BEAUTIFUL TRAILS IN L.A. COUNTY FOR
- 2 HORSEBACK RIDING. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

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- 4 SUP. KNABE: ALL RIGHT, THANK YOU. AT THIS TIME, I'D LIKE TO
- 5 CALL UP BRIAN STIGER, OUR DIRECTOR OF OUR DEPARTMENT OF
- 6 CONSUMER AND BUSINESS AFFAIRS. HIS STAFF AND THE GRADUATES OF
- 7 OUR 2015/16 JUSTICECORPS INTERN PROGRAM. THIS PROGRAM IS A
- 8 HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL PARTNERSHIP FOR MANY YEARS NOW BETWEEN OUR
- 9 DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AND BUSINESS AFFAIRS AND THE LOS
- 10 ANGELES COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT. SINCE ITS INCEPTION, THERE HAVE
- 11 BEEN OVER 160 JUSTICECORPS INTERNS, AND THEY HAVE VOLUNTEERED,
- 12 LISTEN TO THIS, IN EXCESS OF 45,000 HOURS HELPING THE
- 13 RESIDENTS OF OUR COUNTY GO THROUGH SOME LEGAL PROCESSES. THE
- 14 INTERNS COME FROM MAJOR UNIVERSITIES LIKE U.C.L.A. AND U.S.C.,
- 15 CAL STATE NORTHRIDGE, CAL STATE L.A., CAL STATE LONG BEACH.
- 16 THEY VOLUNTEER THEIR TIME TO HELP RESIDENTS WITH KEY SERVICES,
- 17 INCLUDING ASSISTING SMALL BUSINESS CLAIMS, WITH LAWSUITS,
- 18 DEFENDING CASES, AND COLLECTING JUDGMENT. SO I JUST WANT A
- 19 PERSONAL THANK YOU TO THE DEPARTMENT FOR THEIR ONGOING SUPPORT
- 20 OF THIS PROGRAM AND MOST IMPORTANTLY A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE
- 21 FOR OUR '15/'16 GRADUATES. [APPLAUSE.]

- 23 BRIAN STIGER: THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR KNABE AND HONORABLE
- 24 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD FOR RECOGNIZING THIS YEAR'S '15/'16
- 25 JUSTICECORPS MEMBERS. THE JUSTICECORPS, WE HAVE PARTNERED WITH

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- I THE JUSTICECORPS FOR OVER 10 YEARS TO PROVIDE ASSISTANCE TO
- 2 THOSE CONSUMERS THAT ARE NAVIGATING THEMSELVES THROUGH THE
- 3 SMALL CLAIMS COURT PROCESS. THESE YOUNG PEOPLE PLAY AN
- 4 IMPORTANT ROLE IN HELPING US TO RESPOND TO THE CONSUMERS OF
- 5 THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES AND PROVIDE ACCESS TO JUSTICE. ON
- 6 BEHALF OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AND BUSINESS AFFAIRS, I
- 7 WANT TO CONGRATULATE THEM AND GIVE THEM, WISH THEM MUCH
- 8 SUCCESS AS THEY GO THROUGH LIFE AND HOPE THAT THEY CONTINUE TO
- 9 THINK ABOUT WORKING FOR PUBLIC SECTOR. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

11 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH.

13 SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH: IT'S A PLEASURE TO RECOGNIZE ONE OF

- 14 THE GREAT LEADERS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY AND OUR STATE, AND
- 15 THAT'S MADAME SYLVIA WU, WHO IS NOW 101 YEARS OLD. [APPLAUSE.]
- 16 SO IF YOU EAT YOUR SU CHAI, WHICH IS VEGETABLES, AND EXERCISE,
- 17 YOU CAN LIVE TO 200. SO YOU HAVE 99 YEARS TO GO. WE'RE PLEASED
- 18 TO RECOGNIZE HER. SHE IMMIGRATED TO THE UNITED STATES BACK IN
- 19 1944, AND SHE LIVED HER AMERICAN DREAM. SHE MARRIED KING YAN
- 20 WU, WHO IS AN M.I.T. GRADUATE AND BORN IN HONG KONG AND
- 21 GRANDSON WU TINGF, WHO WAS CHINA'S FIRST AMBASSADOR TO THE
- 22 UNITED STATES. SHE BECAME A RESTAURANTEUR, OPERATING MADAME
- 23 WU'S GARDEN RESTAURANT IN SANTA MONICA FOR ALMOST 40 YEARS.
- 24 MANY OF THE CELEBRITIES ATE DINNER THERE, INCLUDING CARY
- 25 GRANT, RONALD AND NANCY REAGAN, STEVEN SPIELBERG, PRINCESS



- 1 GRACE KELLY, JOHNNY CARSON, ROBERT REDFORD, MAE WEST, AND ALL.
- 2 EVEN HAD A FUND-RAISER OR TWO THERE, AS WELL. SHE IS THE
- 3 CELEBRATED AUTHOR OF FOUR BOOKS, TWO COOKBOOKS ON CHINESE
- 4 CUISINE AND TWO COMMEMORATIVE BOOKS. A NOTED PHILANTHROPIST
- 5 AND CIVIC LEADER SUPPORTING MANY CHARITIES, INCLUDING THE CITY
- 6 OF HOPE, COLUMBIA TEACHERS' COLLEGE, AND LOYOLA MARYMOUNT
- 7 SCHOOLS, OPENING HER DOORS TO TWO BUSLOADS OF CHILDREN FROM
- 8 THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES FOR A HOLIDAY
- 9 MEAL. SHE WAS A FOUNDING MEMBER OF THE BLUE RIBBON 400 OF THE
- 10 MUSIC CENTER AND SERVED ON THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF K.C.E.T.
- 11 SHE'S HERE WITH HER SON, THE HONORABLE FEDERAL JUDGE GEORGE
- 12 WU, WHOM I HAD DINNER WITH LAST WEEK, AND PAT WU, WHO IS OUR
- 13 SENIOR ASSISTANT IN OUR COUNTY COUNSEL'S OFFICE THAT WE SEE
- 14 ALL THE TIME IN EXECUTIVE SESSION AND OTHERS. AND SO, MADAME
- 15 WU, IT'S A PLEASURE TO GIVE YOU THIS PROCLAMATION AND WISH YOU
- 16 CONTINUED SUCCESS. [APPLAUSE.]

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- 18 MADAME SYLVIA WU: THANK YOU. THANK YOU. AND THANK YOU.
- 19 [APPLAUSE.]

- 21 GEORGE WU: MY MOTHER ASKED ME TO SAY A COUPLE OF THINGS VERY,
- 22 VERY BRIEFLY. AS THE SUPERVISOR SAID, MY MOTHER WILL BE 101 IN
- 23 OCTOBER. AND SHE HAS ASKED ME TO SAY A COUPLE WORDS. OF HER
- 24 100-PLUS YEARS, SHE HAS SPENT OVER 61 HERE IN LOS ANGELES
- 25 COUNTY AND HAS ENJOYED EACH AND EVERY ONE OF THEM. IF AMERICA



- 1 IS THE LAND OF OPPORTUNITY, FOR HER THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
- 2 HAS BEEN THE LAND OF MEGA OPPORTUNITIES. SHE NEVER BELIEVED
- 3 WHEN SHE FIRST CAME THAT SHE COULD EVER ACHIEVE WHAT SHE HAS
- 4 ACHIEVED IN THIS COUNTY AND SHE'S VERY, VERY, VERY GRATEFUL.
- 5 AND PEOPLE OFTEN ASK HER, WHEN THEY FIND OUT SHE IS 100 AND
- 6 101, ABOUT THE SECRETS OF HER LONGEVITY AND SHE SAYS SHE HAS
- 7 FOUR SECRETS WHICH ARE NOT REALLY SECRETS BUT WHAT SHE WILL
- 8 TELL YOU NOW. ONE, TAKE NAPS. TWO, MAKE FRIENDS. THREE, DON'T
- 9 RETIRE. WORK AS LONG AS YOU CAN. AND, FOUR, EAT GOOD CHINESE
- 10 FOOD. [LAUGHTER.] [APPLAUSE.] AND ONCE AGAIN, MY MOTHER WISHES
- 11 TO THANK THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR THIS HONOR. AND IT IS A
- 12 CHINESE TRADITION THAT WHEN YOU GIVE A GIFT, YOU SHOULD GIVE A
- 13 GIFT IN RETURN, SO WHAT SHE WOULD LIKE TO DO IS GIVE EACH OF
- 14 THE SUPERVISORS A COPY OF HER BOOK ON RUNNING THE RESTAURANT
- 15 IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.] AUTOGRAPHED COPY
- 16 OF HER BOOK WRITTEN IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY.

- 18 SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH: IT'S A REAL PLEASURE TO INTRODUCE DR.
- 19 HAMLIN EMORY. NATIONALLY-RECOGNIZED PIONEER AND SPECIALIST
- 20 DEVOTED TO HELPING PERSONS IMPROVE THEIR PHYSICAL HEALTH AND
- 21 ACHIEVE WELLNESS THROUGH THE BRAIN FIRST METHOD. I HAD THE
- 22 OPPORTUNITY OF MEETING THE DOCTOR AND HIS LOVELY WIFE, WHO IS
- 23 ALSO A DOCTOR, AT THE DIDI HIRSCH GALA, WHICH IS ONE OF THE
- 24 GREAT MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAMS THAT WE SUPPORT IN THE COUNTY OF
- 25 LOS ANGELES AND THEY HAVE DONE AN INCREDIBLE JOB. AND I HAD



- 1 THE OPPORTUNITY TO LEARN A LITTLE MORE ABOUT THE WORK THAT HE
- 2 DOES. HE HAS EXTENSIVE CLINICAL EXPERIENCE IN GENERAL MEDICINE
- 3 AND PSYCHIATRIC MEDICINE, SERVED AS DIRECTOR OF THE
- 4 PSYCHIATRIC PROGRAMS FOR ADOLESCENTS AND ADULTS AS A MEDICAL
- 5 DIRECTOR OF SEVERAL PSYCHIATRIC HOSPITALS AND RESIDENTIAL
- 6 TREATMENT CENTERS FOR EATING DISORDERS AND SUBSTANCE
- 7 DEPENDENCE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. BY EXPLORING E.E.G. AND
- 8 Q.E.E.G. DATA IN PATIENTS WHO WEREN'T IMPROVING, DR. EMORY
- 9 DEVELOPED A VERY COMPREHENSIVE BRAIN-FIRST MODEL TO IMPROVE
- 10 AND RESOLVE EACH PATIENT'S DISTRESS. THIS MODEL INCLUDES A
- 11 MEDICAL AND NEUROBIOLOGICAL ASSESSMENT, RELEVANT LAB VALUES,
- 12 AND E.E.G. THIS UNIQUE INTEGRATIVE APPROACH DECREASES THE
- 13 INCIDENTS OF NEGATIVE RESPONSES TO MEDICATION AND INCREASES
- 14 THE PROBABILITY THAT TREATMENT WILL BE COMPATIBLE AND
- 15 EFFECTIVE. HE'S BEEN THE LEADER IN ADDRESSING THIS PROBLEM
- 16 THAT MANY PEOPLE HAVE OF MIGRAINE HEADACHES AND THROUGH HIS
- 17 TREATMENTS WAS ABLE TO RESOLVE THAT ISSUE, WHICH WAS VERY,
- 18 VERY GOOD. A WONDERFUL MAN, AND HE AND HIS WIFE MAKE A
- 19 TREMENDOUS TEAM. WE JUST WANT TO WELCOME YOU AND GIVE YOU THIS
- 20 PROCLAMATION AND WISH YOU CONTINUED SUCCESS IN THE PRACTICE OF
- 21 MEDICINE. [APPLAUSE.] HE'S A PROUD GRADUATE OF WASHINGTON AND
- 22 LEE UNIVERSITY IN LEXINGTON, VIRGINIA.

- 24 DR. HAMLIN EMORY: THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. I'M DEEPLY
- 25 TOUCHED BY THE HUMANITY AND CONTRIBUTIONS THAT OUR FELLOW



- 1 CITIZENS ARE MAKING IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. I'M REMINDED OF ONE
- 2 OF OUR DECEASED RESIDENTS, WILL ROGERS, WHO SAID, "IT'S GREAT
- 3 TO BE GREAT, BUT IT'S BETTER TO BE HUMAN." I THINK THAT I AM
- 4 TOUCHED AND IMPRESSED WITH THE CONTRIBUTIONS BEING MADE BY
- 5 PEOPLE IN DIVERSE AREAS OF HUMAN ENDEAVOR, AND I FEEL BUOYED
- 6 UP BY WHAT I WOULD CALL PEOPLE WHO ARE THREADS IN THE QUILT OF
- 7 CIVILITY. WE NEED MORE OF IT. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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- 9 SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH: LET'S GET THE FAMILY PICTURE, DOCTOR.
- 10 YOU HAVE TO HAVE TWO DOCTORS IN THE PICTURE.

- 12 SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH: NOW WE ARE RECOGNIZING PROMOTIONAL
- 13 PRODUCTS WORK WEEK. WE WELCOME STEPHEN ROPFOGEL OF HALO
- 14 BRANDED SOLUTIONS, RECOGNIZING PROMOTIONAL PRODUCTS WORK WEEK
- 15 IN OUR COUNTY. THIS IS AN ASSOCIATION WHICH WAS FOUNDED BACK
- 16 IN 1903. IT EDUCATES THE PUBLIC POLICYMAKERS AND COMMUNITY
- 17 ABOUT THE STRENGTH OF PROMOTIONAL PRODUCT BUSINESSES. MANY OF
- 18 THEM ARE FAMILY OWNED. THEY IMPROVE OUR COMMUNITY THROUGH
- 19 THEIR WORKFORCE, VOLUNTEERISM, REVENUE AND COMMUNITY
- 20 PARTNERSHIPS. THE PROMOTIONAL PRODUCTS INDUSTRY IS COMPRISED
- 21 OF OVER 33,000 COMPANIES, 97 PERCENT OF WHICH ARE SMALL
- 22 BUSINESSES, AND NEARLY 500,000 ARE PROFESSIONALS. THE COUNTY
- 23 OF L.A. SUPPORTS THESE EFFORTS OF LOCAL SMALL BUSINESSES AND
- 24 RECOGNIZE THE CRITICAL ROLE THEY PLAY IN OUR COMMUNITY. THESE
- 25 PRODUCTS WORK. THIS WILL HELP TO EDUCATE THE COMMUNITY AND



- 1 STIMULATE OUR LOCAL ECONOMY. PROMOTIONAL PRODUCT COMPANIES AND
- 2 PROFESSIONALS ARE VITAL TO OUR FUTURE AS AN ENTREPRENEURIAL
- 3 COMMUNITY AND NATION. SO THANK YOU, STEPHEN, FOR YOUR
- 4 LEADERSHIP. AND HERE IS YOUR PROCLAMATION. AND HE'S ALSO QUITE
- 5 INVOLVED IN OUR DISTRICT. WE APPRECIATE THAT. WITH ALL THE
- 6 CHARITABLE VOLUNTEER ORGANIZATIONS, HE'S ALWAYS THE FIRST AT
- 7 THE LIST TO VOLUNTEER.

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- 9 STEPHEN ROPFOGEL: THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. PROMOTIONAL PRODUCTS
- 10 DO WORK. IT'S THE ONLY FORM OF ADVERTISING THAT KEEPS, THE
- 11 RECIPIENT SAYS THANK YOU FOR, AND IT KEEPS YOUR NAME IN FRONT
- 12 OF YOUR CUSTOMERS. AND WITH THAT IN MIND, I BROUGHT A LITTLE
- 13 TOKEN OF OUR APPRECIATION FOR EACH OF THE SUPERVISORS. IT'S A
- 14 LITTLE NOTEBOOK. AND THANK YOU ALL VERY MUCH. AND HAVE A GOOD
- 15 DAY. OH, I'M WITH LORI BOLTON, WHO IS THE PRESIDENT OF THE
- 16 SPECIALTY ADVERTISING ASSOCIATION OF CALIFORNIA. [APPLAUSE.]

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- 18 SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH: NOW WE HAVE A 12-WEEK-OLD CHIHUAHUA
- 19 NAMED JOEY. AND HERE COMES JOEY. LIKE THE MOVIE JOEY, HE'S A
- 20 WINNER. SO LITTLE JOEY IS LOOKING FOR A HOME. AND YOU CAN CALL
- 21 THE AREA CODE 562-728-4610. AND LITTLE JOEY, WHO'S DOING HIS
- 22 LITTLE PRAYERS RIGHT NOW, IS HOPING THAT SOMEBODY WILL CALL OR
- 23 SOMEONE IN THE AUDIENCE WILL SAY: TAKE ME HOME.

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25 SUP. KNABE: HE'S SHAKING IN THAT RED JACKET.



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- 2 SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH: BECAUSE HE'S NEVER BEEN ON TELEVISION
- 3 BEFORE. BUT SEE ALL THESE NICE PEOPLE? YOU'RE GOING TO FIND A
- 4 HOME AND ALL WILL BE WELL.

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6 SUP. KNABE: BEAUTIFUL THING. CUTE LITTLE THING.

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8 SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH: LOOK AT THE PRETTY LADY.

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- 10 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: OKAY. NOW WE WILL TURN TO THE EXECUTIVE
- 11 OFFICE THAT WILL READ IN SOME ITEMS.

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- 13 LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: WE WILL PLAY THE CODE OF CONDUCT
- 14 FOR THOSE WHO ARE HERE.

- 16 RECORDING: LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, MAY I PLEASE HAVE YOUR
- 17 ATTENTION. THE MEETING OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF
- 18 SUPERVISORS IS ABOUT TO COMMENCE. A CODE OF CONDUCT WILL NOW
- 19 BE READ, AND WE REQUEST THAT YOU COMPLY WITH IT TO ENSURE THE
- 20 EFFICIENT ADMINISTRATION OF THE MEETING. MEMBERS OF THE
- 21 PUBLIC, IT IS YOUR RIGHT TO PARTICIPATE IN TODAY'S BOARD
- 22 HEARING, AND THE BOARD ENCOURAGES SUCH PARTICIPATION. HOWEVER,
- 23 THE RIGHT OF THE PUBLIC TO ADDRESS THE BOARD MUST BE BALANCED
- 24 WITH THE NEED TO ENSURE THAT PUBLIC COMMENT DOES NOT INTERFERE
- 25 WITH THE ORDERLY COURSE OF THE BOARD'S BUSINESS. ALL ARE



- 1 REMINDED TO ABIDE BY THE FOLLOWING RULES. SPEAKERS MUST CEASE
- 2 SPEAKING IMMEDIATELY WHEN THEIR TIME HAS ENDED. PUBLIC COMMENT
- 3 ON AGENDA ITEMS MUST RELATE TO THE SUBJECT MATTER OF THAT
- 4 ITEM. GENERAL PUBLIC COMMENT IS LIMITED TO SUBJECTS WITHIN THE
- 5 JURISDICTION OF THE BOARD. PUBLIC COMMENT DOES NOT INCLUDE THE
- 6 RIGHT TO ENGAGE IN A DIALOGUE WITH BOARD MEMBERS OR STAFF.
- 7 PLEASE REMAIN RESPECTFUL OF THE FORUM AND REFRAIN FROM
- 8 UTTERING, WRITING OR DISPLAYING PROFANE, PERSONAL,
- 9 THREATENING, DEROGATORY, DEMEANING OR OTHER ABUSIVE STATEMENTS
- 10 TOWARDS THE BOARD, ANY MEMBER THEREOF, STAFF, OR ANY OTHER
- 11 PERSON. MEMBERS OF THE AUDIENCE SHOULD BE RESPECTFUL OF THE
- 12 VIEWS EXPRESSED BY SPEAKERS, STAFF AND BOARD MEMBERS AND MAY
- 13 NOT CLAP, CHEER, WHISTLE OR OTHERWISE DISRUPT THE ORDERLY
- 14 CONDUCT OF THE MEETING. ANY PERSON ENGAGING IN CONDUCT THAT
- 15 DISRUPTS THE MEETING IS SUBJECT TO BEING REMOVED FROM THE
- 16 BOARD MEETING. AND, FINALLY, IF YOU WITNESS CONDUCT OR
- 17 BEHAVIOR BY OTHER MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC THAT DISRUPTS YOUR
- 18 ABILITY TO REMAIN ENGAGED OR PARTICIPATE IN THIS MEETING,
- 19 PLEASE NOTIFY THE SERGEANT AT ARMS OR OTHER COUNTY STAFF.
- 20 THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION.

- 22 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: VERY GOOD. WITH THAT, AUDIENCE AND BOARD,
- 23 WE'LL CALL UP THOSE INDIVIDUALS THAT HAVE HELD SEVERAL ITEMS
- 24 FOR COMMENT. I'LL CALL UP FIRST ERIC PREVEN. HE'S HELD ITEM
- 25 15, 20 AND C.S.-4. GOOD MORNING.



1 ERIC PREVEN: WHAT IS HAPPENING HERE? THREE ITEMS ONLY. 2 3 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THIS IS WHAT I HAVE REGISTERED. YOU PULLED 4 5 ITEMS 15 AND 20 AND C.S.-4. 6 ERIC PREVEN: I HAD SOME OTHER ITEMS. 7 8 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: WHAT ARE THEY? 9 10 ERIC PREVEN: WELL, FOR EXAMPLE, 25, 7. ANYWAY, WHY DON'T WE --11 I'LL BEGIN IF YOU'LL ZERO ME OUT. I'LL TRY MY BEST. 12 13 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: START THE CLOCK. 14 15 16 ERIC PREVEN: THANK YOU. AND I APOLOGIZE. OBVIOUSLY THERE WAS 17 SOME CONFUSION LAST WEEK, BECAUSE I HAD PULLED SEVERAL ITEMS, 18 AND AS YOU KNOW, WAS IN TOUCH WITH YOUR STAFF, BUT THEY PUSHED 19 IT THROUGH AND WE WENT INTO THAT VERY, VERY LONG AND MOVING PRESENTATION FROM THE PEOPLE THAT YOU BUSSED IN. SO I FELT 20 BADLY ABOUT THAT. BUT TODAY I WILL TRY TO STAY ON POINT. ITEM 21 22 NO. 15, MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS IS NOT HERE TODAY, BUT HE HAS ASKED 23 PROSPECTIVELY TO CONDUCT AN OPEN AND COMPETENT LOOK AT THE WAY WE DO EMAIL HERE AT THE COUNTY, AND I THOUGHT THAT WAS A VERY 24 GOOD IDEA. AND I THINK IT DOVETAILS NICELY WITH ITEM 10, 25



- 1 MADAME CHAIR. TODAY YOU ARE BRINGING IN PUBLIC INFORMATION
- 2 SPECIALIST MR. CLARK LEE, WHO AS YOU KNOW, IS ALSO SERVING HIS
- 3 MAIN JOB, I BELIEVE, THE OUTREACH GUY FOR THE NATIONAL
- 4 DEMOCRATIC PARTY. SO THIS IS A GIANT IN THE INDUSTRY. AND ALSO
- 5 WORKED FOR ERIC BAUMAN, WHO IS THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY COCHAIR,
- 6 AND I THINK HE WILL DO A GOOD JOB. BUT ITEM NO. 10, YOU HAVE
- 7 HIM ON BIG SOME BIG REGISTRAR/RECORDER MOVING AROUND THE
- 8 VOTING RECORDS AREA, WHICH I THINK IS VERY, VERY GOOD. CLARK
- 9 IS EXCELLENT. CLARK HAS -- CLARK AND MR. BAUMAN, I WILL SAY,
- 10 DURING THIS COUNCIL DISTRICT 3 ELECTION, AS SUPERVISOR KUEHL
- 11 WILL RECALL, DID NOT -- WE ARE HAVING A HARD TIME DISCLOSING
- 12 SOME INFORMATION THAT IS SOME OF US IN THE PUBLIC FELT WAS
- 13 IMPORTANT FOR THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY TO HAVE ACCESS TO. BUT
- 14 CERTAINLY HE IS TO BE RELIED UPON FOR STICKING WITH THE
- 15 COMPANY LINE, FOR SURE, BECAUSE HE DID NOT BREAK, DESPITE OUR
- 16 EFFORT TO GET HIM TO PROVIDE SIMPLY THE NAMES OF THE PEOPLE
- 17 WHO WERE ENDORSING CANDIDATES IN THAT PARTICULAR -- I DON'T
- 18 WANT TO GO THERE BECAUSE IT'S VERY UPSETTING FOR ME OBVIOUSLY.
- 19 ITEM 25 IS A TRANSFER FEE. AND PEOPLE DON'T KNOW, AND MAYOR
- 20 ANTONOVICH AND I ARE BOTH WEARING RED IN SYMPATHY TODAY. YOU
- 21 HAVE THE PARKS AND REC GROUP ARE FLIPPING A RADIO STATION THAT
- 22 I DIDN'T KNOW THEY MANAGED. AND WHAT'S HAPPENING IS IT'S STILL
- 23 GOING TO BE RELIGIOUS PROGRAMMING, BUT NOW IT WILL BE EL
- 24 SEMBRADOR MINISTRIES, WHICH I HAVE NOT TUNED IN FOR. IT IS, I
- 25 BELIEVE, 1460 ON K.T.Y. -- K.T.Y.M., I'M SORRY, ON THE DIAL.



- 1 NOW WHAT THEY'RE GETTING IS 1 PERCENT, WHICH IS ABOUT \$58,000
- 2 OF THE PRICE FOR THE CONTRACT. BUT WHEN I COMPARED THAT WITH
- 3 WHEN I SEE SUPERVISOR KNABE HAS LEFT FOR THE TRANSPORTATION
- 4 DISCUSSION, WITH WHAT HAPPENED WITH THE GOLF COURSES WHEN WE
- 5 TRANSFERRED THEM, I WAS IMPRESSED BY THE SIMPLICITY HERE BUT
- 6 THE COMPLEXITY THERE AND HOW FOR ALL THOSE EXPENSIVE GOLF
- 7 COURSES THAT SEEM MUCH MORE LUCRATIVE, FOR EXAMPLE, THAN A
- 8 RADIO STATION, BUT MAYBE I'M WRONG ABOUT THAT, WE ONLY GOT
- 9 \$209,000 BIG FOR THAT BIG FLIP, THE COUNTY DID, ON EIGHT
- 10 AMERICAN GOLF COURSES. SO THAT'S WHAT DRIVES ME A LITTLE BIT
- 11 CRAZY. IN TERMS OF ITEM NO. 3, WHICH IS THE MAYOR'S MARIJUANA
- 12 BAN PROPOSAL ONCE AGAIN WITH BRUCKNER, I ASSUME THAT'S A
- 13 PUBLIC HEARING, AND WE'LL COME BACK ON THOSE, IS THAT CORRECT?
- 14 YES, OKAY. THANK YOU.

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- 16 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: NEXT WE HAVE ARNOLD SACHS, WHO HAS HELD
- 17 ITEMS 15, 27-A, 27-B, C.S.-2 AND C.S.-4.

- 19 ARNOLD SACHS: YES, THANK YOU, GOOD MORNING. ARNOLD SACHS. I,
- 20 TOO, THOUGHT IT WAS A FASCINATING MEETING LAST WEEK. KIND OF
- 21 REMINDED ME OF A FILM, WILLARD, ALL THE UNION REPRESENTATIVES
- 22 RUNNING AROUND LIKE RATS TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY HAD THEIR
- 23 SIGNS UP SO THAT EVERYBODY COULD SEE THEIR GREAT SUPPORT FOR
- 24 THE BOARD. I DID HOLD ITEM 15, TOO. AND IT'S FASCINATING TO ME
- 25 HOW YOU WOULD BRING UP EMAIL SECURITY, BASED ON THE PAST



- 1 FIASCO WITH THE SHERIFF WHO HAD TO RESIGN HIS POST. CAN YOU
- 2 IMAGINE SOMEONE JOKES THREE YEARS AGO AND SOMEBODY BULL'S-EYED
- 3 THAT, A THREE-YEAR-OLD EMAIL ABOUT JOKES? YOU THINK HE MIGHT
- 4 HAVE GOTTEN SOMEBODY UPSET AND DONE SOMETHING WRONG, BUT THAT
- 5 WOULD COME UP IN THE POLICY. SO THE PUBLIC REQUEST, WHERE DOES
- 6 THAT LEVEL OF EMAIL SECRECY END? ARE WE ALLOWED TO REQUEST
- 7 BOARD MEMBERS' EMAILS? THAT WOULD BE FASCINATING TO FIND OUT.
- 8 27, HEY, I HELD -- BY THE WAY, ITEM 15 REQUEST FOR A REPORT
- 9 BACK TO THE BOARD. 27-A REOUESTS FOR REPORT BACK IN WRITING.
- 10 SO WHEN YOU GET REPORTS BACK IN WRITING OR VICE VERSA, DOES
- 11 THAT MEAN IT COMES BACK TO THE PUBLIC FOR AN ITEM ON THE
- 12 AGENDA? 27-B, THE COUNTY IS TAKING ACTION, MIKE IS TAKING
- 13 ACTION, TO MAKE SURE THAT WE CONSERVE GAS. I WONDER IF THAT
- 14 HAS ANYTHING TO DO WITH THE NATURAL GAS LEAK OF ALISO CANYON
- 15 AND THE FACT THAT THE DEPLETION OF THE METHANE HOLDING AREA
- 16 AND WHY 10,000 HOMES SHOULD TAKE PRECEDENCE OVER THE L.A.
- 17 BASIN SUPPLYING THE PUBLIC WITH FUEL FOR UTILITIES. I HELD
- 18 ITEM C.S.-2 REFERS TO THE PORTER RANCH AND C.S.-4 IS
- 19 DEPARTMENT HEAD EVALUATIONS. AND I'M WONDERING, AGAIN, YOUR
- 20 CONCERNS ABOUT THE PEOPLE THAT LIVE THERE. AND NOBODY'S
- 21 MENTIONED ANYTHING ABOUT, YOU KNOW, GETTING IN TOUCH WITH THE
- 22 HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATIONS WHO ARE IN CHARGE OR THIS STORY ABOUT
- 23 HOW NOW IT'S REQUIRED THAT PEOPLE ARE TOLD THAT THEY BUY A
- 24 HOME BY PORTER RANCH, THE GAS FACILITIES HAVE BEEN LOCATED
- 25 THERE SINCE '72, WHY THAT ISN'T, WHY YOU HAVEN'T HAD PEOPLE



- 1 COME HERE TO TALK ABOUT THAT? WHY THE HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATIONS
- 2 ARE IMMUNE FROM FOLLOWING THROUGH ON DISCLOSURE LAWS? I
- 3 UNDERSTAND HOW CONCERNED YOU ARE FOR THE EMPLOYEES. AND WHICH
- 4 BRINGS ME BACK TO ANOTHER POINT HERE ABOUT DEPARTMENT HEADS
- 5 BECAUSE PART OF THIS SAYS, OH, BY THE WAY, FORMER TOP ATTORNEY
- 6 L.A., THAT'S IN TODAY'S UP IN, VIOLATED THE OPEN MEETING LAW.
- 8 MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL: SIR, WHAT TOPIC ARE YOU ON? YOU'RE OFF
- 9 TOPIC.

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- 11 ARNOLD SACHS: I'M TALKING ABOUT DEPARTMENT HEADS. AN ATTORNEY
- 12 REPRESENTING LOS ANGELES COUNTY --
- 14 MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL: SIR, THAT'S NOT A MATTER OF THE
- 15 CONSIDERATION OF THE DEPARTMENT HEAD. YOU'RE OFF TOPIC, SIR.
- 17 ARNOLD SACHS: I AM TALKING ABOUT DEPARTMENT HEAD EVALUATION.
- 18 YOUR DEPARTMENT HEAD EVALUATION. DEBRA FOX.
- 20 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: TIME IS EXPIRED.
- 22 ARNOLD SACHS: ALISO CANYON. IT WAS THEY HAVE --
- 24 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: TIME IS EXPIRED, SIR. THANK YOU.



- 1 MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL: TIME EXPIRED. SERGEANT AT ARMS?
- 2 [GAVEL.] PLEASE REMIND THE SPEAKER AND REMOVE HIM FROM THE
- 3 SEAT. SERGEANT? PLEASE. THANK YOU.

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- 5 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: WE HAVE ANOTHER SPEAKER, DR. GENEVIEVE
- 6 CLAVREUL. SHE'S HELD ITEM 15, 18, 20, 21, 27-A AND 27-B. GOOD
- 7 MORNING.

- 9 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL: GOOD MORNING. DR. CLAVREUL. ON ITEM
- 10 18, I AM TOTALLY IN FAVOR OF THAT ITEM AND I THINK WE HAVE
- 11 SHOULD HAVE LOOKED EARLIER ON THAT ISSUE WHERE PEOPLE WHO ARE
- 12 INCARCERATED ARE WAITING FOR TRIAL BECAUSE THEY CANNOT PAY
- 13 BAIL SHOULD BE NOT AS A CHARTER OF THE COUNTY AND SHOULD GET
- 14 HEALTHCARE AND GET THE SUPPORT OF C.M.S. ON THAT. I THINK THAT
- 15 WILL BE VERY IMPORTANT. ON 27-A, I THINK THAT WE NEED TO PUT
- 16 IN PLACE A MORE CONCERNED EFFORT FOR FOSTER CHILDREN SO THEY
- 17 DO NOT BECOME HOMELESS AND MAYBE HAVE A POSSIBILITY WHERE THEY
- 18 CAN BE RE-ENTERED IN THE COUNTY SYSTEM FOR A COUPLE OF YEARS.
- 19 MANY YEARS AGO, IN PEDIATRIC, WE USED TO SAY, WELL, AFTER 16
- 20 YEARS OLD THEY NO LONGER BELONG IN PEDIATRIC. BUT THEN WE
- 21 REALIZED THAT CHILDREN WITH AN UNUSUAL GENETIC DISEASES, IT
- 22 WAS BETTER IF THEY STAY WITH THE PEDIATRICIAN UNTIL THEY ARE
- 23 21. MAYBE THAT'S WHAT WE NEED TO LOOK FOR WITH FOSTER
- 24 CHILDREN. MAYBE WE SHOULDN'T SEND THEM LOOSE WHEN THEY ARE 18
- 25 BUT STAY UNTIL THEY ARE 21. MAYBE THIS WAY WE WILL PREVENT



- 1 THEM TO BECOME, YOU KNOW, SO ON IF THEY HAVE SUPPORT AT THAT
- 2 AGE. BECAUSE THEY ARE NOT PREPARED AT 18 TO DEAL WITH THOSE
- 3 SITUATIONS AND I HAD ONE OTHER ITEM, I THINK. AND I'M VERY
- 4 GLAD OF WHAT YOU'RE DOING ABOUT THE ALISO CANYON, ESPECIALLY
- 5 MAKING SURE THAT THERE ARE APPROPRIATE THINGS ARE HAPPENING
- 6 AND THAT YOU FILE THE NON-FUNCTIONING COMPANY THAT HAS DOING
- 7 YOUR THING. THANK YOU. AND SO I SEND A LETTER TO THE PASADENA
- 8 STAR NEWS WHEN FREE SPEECH BECOME A THREAT. THANK YOU. I HAVE
- 9 ONLY ONE COPY.

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- 11 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER IS CHRISTINE
- 12 MIRASY-GLASCO. SHE'S HELD ITEM 27-A.

- 14 CHRISTINE MIRASY-GLASCO: GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS CHRISTINE
- 15 MIRASY-GLASCO, AND I AM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE OUTWARD
- 16 BOUND HOUSE, A PROVIDER OF TEMPORARY AND PERMANENT HOUSING FOR
- 17 HOMELESS FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN IN S.P.A.S 5 AND 6. I WOULD
- 18 FIRST LIKE TO COMMEND THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS FOR YOUR RECENT
- 19 DRACONIAN ACTION TO COMBAT AND END HOMELESSNESS IN OUR COUNTY.
- 20 THE HOMELESS STRATEGIES ALONG WITH THE PERMANENT FUNDING THAT
- 21 YOU VOTED RECENTLY WILL CHANGE THE LIVES OF HUNDREDS OF
- 22 HOMELESS CHILDREN BY PROVIDING THEM WITH A SAFE, SANITARY
- 23 PLACE TO LIVE. TODAY I AM HERE TO APPLAUD YOUR EFFORTS TO
- 24 EXAMINE THE ECONOMIC COSTS OF CHILD HOMELESSNESS. STUDIES SHOW
- 25 THAT HOMELESSNESS IS A MAJOR CONDUIT INTO THE FOSTER CARE AND



- 1 CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEMS, WHICH COSTS THE COUNTY MILLIONS OF
- 2 DOLLARS ANNUALLY. WE ALSO KNOW THAT HOMELESSNESS IS VERY
- 3 TRAUMATIC FOR FAMILIES, INCLUDING CHILDREN. AND THAT THEIR
- 4 HEALTH IS VERY IMPACTED, MOSTLY NEGATIVELY, BY HOMELESSNESS.
- 5 SO THESE COSTS CAN BE REDUCED SIGNIFICANTLY IF WE INTERVENE
- 6 MUCH EARLIER AND ADDRESS CHILD HOMELESSNESS. SO I URGE YOU
- 7 TODAY TO APPROVE THIS MOTION, AS IT WILL CONSTITUTE THE FIRST
- 8 STEP TO REALLY UNDERSTANDING THE TRAUMATIC EXPERIENCES THAT
- 9 HOMELESS CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES EXPERIENCE AND OVERALL
- 10 WILL HELP US GAIN COST ACROSS THE COUNTY AS WE SAVE IN OTHER
- 11 AREAS THAT RESULT FROM HOMELESSNESS. THANK YOU.

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- 13 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WE HAVE A SPEAKER NOW
- 14 FROM LANCASTER. WE HAVE DR. DIANA BEARD WILLIAMS ON ITEMS 18,
- 15 21 AND C.S.-4 AND ALSO MICHAEL JENKINS ON C.S.-4 FROM
- 16 LANCASTER. HELLO, WE'RE CALLING UP DR. DIANA BEARD WILLIAMS.
- 17 AND MICHAEL JENKINS, LANCASTER? THEY'VE HELD ITEMS?

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19 SPEAKER: COME ON IN.

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21 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: MR. JENKINS, IS THAT YOU?

- 23 DR. DIANA BEARD WILLIAMS: SUPERVISOR SOLIS, COULD YOU PLEASE
- 24 TELL ME WHAT ITEM WE'RE ON, BECAUSE I WAS ON THE PHONE WITH
- 25 DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES.



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2 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: YOU PULLED ITEMS 18, 21 AND C.S.-4.

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- 4 DR. DIANA BEARD WILLIAMS: OKAY, 18 I PULLED OUT TYPICALLY
- 5 BECAUSE I WANTED TO KNOW. I AM IN SUPPORT, OR I WAS IN SUPPORT
- 6 OF 18, EMPHATICALLY IN SUPPORT OF 18 IN THE LETTER, AS WAS
- 7 DISCUSSED LAST WEEK. I JUST DID NOT UNDERSTAND HOW IT WAS
- 8 GOING TO BE WORDED THAT IT WOULD HAVE A POSITIVE EFFECT ON
- 9 REDUCING MENTAL ILLNESS, INMATES IN THE JAIL. I UNDERSTAND HOW
- 10 IT'S GOING TO HELP FISCALLY, AND I UNDERSTAND HOW IT'S GOING
- 11 TO HELP THEM RECEIVE SERVICES IN THE SYSTEM. BUT THERE IS A
- 12 LINE IN YOUR DESCRIPTION OF IT THAT SAYS THAT IT WOULD REDUCE
- 13 OR IMPACT THE POPULATION IMPLIED IN TERMS OF NUMBERS. AND THAT
- 14 I DID NOT SEE. AND I WAS TRYING TO FIGURE OUT HOW THAT WAS
- 15 GOING TO BE IMPLEMENTED IN THE LETTER. THAT'S ON 18. THE OTHER
- 16 NUMBERS, CAN YOU PLEASE TELL ME WHAT THEY WERE? I WAS ON THE
- 17 PHONE WITH DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN FAMILY SERVICES.

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19 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: 21 AND C.S.-4.

- 21 DR. DIANA BEARD WILLIAMS: OKAY, ON 21, MY CONCERN ABOUT 21 IS
- 22 I THINK THAT THE ANTELOPE VALLEY IS OFTEN LEFT OUT OF
- 23 DIFFERENT BENEFITS THAT ARE APPLIED DOWN BELOW. AS YOU KNOW,
- 24 AT ONE POINT IN TIME, WE WERE GOING TO ATTEMPT TO BREAK AWAY
- 25 FROM LOS ANGELES COUNTY, WHICH I WAS NOT IN FAVOR OF, BECAUSE



- 1 WE FELT WE WERE NOT GETTING OUR TAX DOLLARS. ITEM NO. 21 TALKS
- 2 ABOUT THE NURSING PROGRAM AND THE MENTORING, WHICH I THINK IS
- 3 ESSENTIAL AND PHENOMENAL. BUT I JUST DO NOT UNDERSTAND WHY
- 4 ANTELOPE VALLEY COLLEGE, EVEN WITH ITS NURSING PROGRAM, WAS
- 5 NOT INCLUDED IN THE LIST OF COLLEGES THAT WERE GOING TO BE
- 6 RECEIVING MENTOR PROGRAMS OR THE TUTORING SERVICES. AND I
- 7 WANTED THE BOARD TO PLEASE CONSIDER ANTELOPE VALLEY COMMUNITY
- 8 COLLEGE STUDENTS, AS WELL, BECAUSE WE HAVE A GREAT NEED UP
- 9 HERE FOR NURSES WHO ARE QUALIFIED AND NURSES PERIOD. AND
- 10 PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE US OUT OF THESE KIND OF PROGRAMS. THAT'S
- 11 MY FEELING ON 21. AND THE LAST ONE, SUPERVISOR, WAS WHAT
- 12 NUMBER?

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14 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: C.S.-4.

- 16 DR. DIANA BEARD WILLIAMS: OH, C.S.-4. IF WE COME TO PUBLIC
- 17 COMMENTS, I REALLY WANT TO TALK IN GREAT DETAIL ABOUT C.S.-4.
- 18 I WANT TO TALK ABOUT THE AGENCY HEAD OF THE DEPARTMENT OF
- 19 CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES. I'M INTIMATELY AND DEEPLY
- 20 KNOWLEDGEABLE ABOUT WHAT IS GOING ON WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF
- 21 CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES FOR THE LAST 30 YEARS. I HAVE
- 22 HIGH-RANKING ASSOCIATES WHO I HAVE HEARD THEIR STORIES AND
- 23 HORROR STORIES ABOUT WHAT'S GOING ON BEHIND THE SCENES AND
- 24 WHAT WE HAVE PUT ON FOR YEARS HOW WE ARE GOING TO MAKE CHANGES
- 25 AND THOSE CHANGES ARE SMOKE AND MIRROR CHANGES. AND IF THAT



- 1 ITEM COMES UP UNDER PUBLIC COMMENTS, I WOULD REALLY LIKE TO
- 2 ASK FOR SERIOUS INVESTIGATION OF WHO IS LEADING THAT
- 3 DEPARTMENT AND ALSO THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE LOOK INTO
- 4 D.C.F.S. THANK YOU.

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- 6 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. WE HAVE MICHAEL JENKINS, I
- 7 BELIEVE, ONLINE FROM LANCASTER FOR ITEM C.S.-4.

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- 9 DR. DIANA BEARD WILLIAMS: SUPERVISOR SOLIS, MR. JENKINS IS ON
- 10 THE PHONE RIGHT NOW. AND HE'S HERE, AS THE ATTENDANT WILL TELL
- 11 YOU, WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES.

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- 13 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: YOU CAN'T SPEAK FOR HIM. YOU'VE HAD YOUR
- 14 TIME. OKAY. THANK YOU. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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16 MICHAEL JENKINS: -- AND I'M NOT GOING TO BE SPEAKING --

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- 18 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: HOLD ON. START ALL OVER. I DIDN'T SEE YOU
- 19 THERE. SO, GO AHEAD. MICHAEL JENKINS?

- 21 MICHAEL JENKINS: WHAT ARE WE SPEAKING ON? OKAY. I'D LIKE TO
- 22 SPEAK ABOUT THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE CHILD AND FAMILY
- 23 SERVICES AND HOW IT'S BEING RAN OUT HERE IN THIS ANTELOPE
- 24 VALLEY, WHICH I PREVIOUSLY SAID THAT IT IS A PLANTATION,
- 25 BECAUSE THE CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES OUT HERE, THEY'RE



- 1 BEING LED BY A PERSON THAT DON'T CARE, AS YOU KNOW. MIKE
- 2 ANTONOVICH PLEASE LISTEN TO THIS. I'VE BEEN TELLING YOU. I'M
- 3 COMING BACK TIME AND TIME AGAIN UNTIL I GET MY GRANDDAUGHTER,
- 4 OKAY? THE SERVICES HERE ARE UNBEARABLE. I WENT TO COURT
- 5 YESTERDAY. THE JUDGE WAS LOOKING AT FORMS THAT CHILD SERVICES
- 6 TAINTED AGAINST ME. AS YOU KNOW, MIKE ANTONOVICH, AS YOU ALL
- 7 KNOW, I BROUGHT MY SON DOWN HERE LAST WEEK. HE WAS TELLING HOW
- 8 HE WANTS HIS SISTER. THE JUDGE WASN'T LISTENING. NOBODY IS
- 9 LISTENING. MIKE ANTONOVICH, I'VE ASKED FOR YOUR HELP. I'VE
- 10 ASKED THE SUPERVISORS FOR YOUR HELP. OKAY, I'M GETTING NO
- 11 WHERE. I'M GETTING MY BACK UP AGAINST THE WALL HERE TRYING TO
- 12 GET SOMETHING THAT'S MINE, MY GRANDDAUGHTER. EVERYBODY IS NOT
- 13 LISTENING. MIKE ANTONOVICH, YOU ARE NOT LISTENING. THIS IS A
- 14 PLANTATION UP HERE. NOTHING IS BEING DONE. NOT AT THE
- 15 COURTHOUSES, NOT AT CHILD SERVICES, NOTHING. MIKE, YOU HAVE TO
- 16 DO SOMETHING ABOUT THIS BEFORE YOU LEAVE OFFICE. I'M COMING
- 17 BACK AGAIN AND AGAIN AND AGAIN UNTIL I GET MY GRANDDAUGHTER.
- 18 I'M GOING TO FILE WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE UNTIL I GET
- 19 WHAT'S MINE.

21 MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL: SIR, YOU'RE OFF TOPIC AT THIS POINT,

22 SIR. YOU'RE SPEAKING ON ITEM NO. 4, I'VE BEEN TOLD, C.S.-4.

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- 1 MICHAEL JENKINS: OKAY. I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE DR. WILLIAMS TO
- 2 TAKE UP MY REMAINING TIME, PLEASE, IF THAT'S POSSIBLE. IS THAT
- 3 ACCEPTABLE TO SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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5 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: YES, IT IS. YOU HAVE 57 SECONDS.

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7 MICHAEL JENKINS: DR. WILLIAMS? HURRY UP. 57 SECONDS.

- 9 DR. DIANA BEARD WILLIAMS: I TRIED TO SAY THAT TO YOU BEFORE,
- 10 SUPERVISOR SOLIS, BUT YOU TOLD ME NO. WHAT HE IS TALKING ABOUT
- 11 IN TERMS OF C.S.-4 IS THAT HIS CONCERN IN TRYING TO CONTACT
- 12 THE HEAD OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES TO
- 13 POINT OUT ISSUES THAT ARE BEING DONE UP HERE THAT ARE NOT
- 14 REALLY LEGAL AND THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE SHOULD BE AWARE OF.
- 15 FOR EXAMPLE, WE HAVE A FILM OF HIM BEING MISTREATED BY THE
- 16 CAREGIVER OF HIS GRANDDAUGHTER. AND WE TRIED TO SHOW THE FILM
- 17 TO BARBARA DALLAS, WHO RUNS D.C.F.S. UP HERE. WE'VE CALLED
- 18 DOWN BELOW, YOUR DIRECTOR DOWN THERE HIDES. THE SOCIAL WORKER
- 19 DID NOT WANT TO SEE IT. IT IS A VIDEO OF HOW HE WAS
- 20 EMASCULATED, DEMEANED, AND DEGRADED BY THE CAREGIVER AT A
- 21 DOCTOR'S VISIT THAT WAS MANDATED THAT HE GO TO. HE WAS
- 22 PENALIZED YESTERDAY BY THE JUDGE FOR NOT GOING TO THAT VISIT
- 23 AFTER THE SOCIAL WORKER TOLD HIM THAT HE SHOULD STAY AWAY FROM
- 24 THE CAREGIVER. WHERE DO WE GO? WHAT DO WE DO? HOW DO WE GET



- 1 JUSTICE? HOW WOULD YOUR DIRECTOR OF THIS AGENCY AND THIS
- 2 DEPARTMENT REALLY FUNCTION IN DOING ANYTHING FOR US?

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- 4 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: OKAY. I HAVE ADDITIONAL REQUESTS BY
- 5 SPEAKERS TO ADDRESS ITEM 27-A. AND THEY ARE BOOKER PEARSON,
- 6 LAURA DIEGO, LAURA STEI AND MAIA EAGLIN. THIS IS ON ITEM 27-A.
- 7 GOOD MORNING.

- 9 BOOKER PEARSON: GOOD MORNING. I'M BOOKER PEARSON. I'M THE
- 10 CHAIR OF THE COUNTY PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES COMMISSION. I AM
- 11 ECSTATIC AND GRATEFUL TO THIS BOARD AND ESPECIALLY TO
- 12 SUPERVISORS KUEHL AND SOLIS FOR BRINGING FORTH THIS MOTION.
- 13 IT'S BADLY NEEDED. I'M ALSO VERY PROUD OF THIS BOARD BECAUSE
- 14 OF THE EXCELLENT AND MORAL COURAGE YOU'VE SHOWN IN ADDRESSING
- 15 HOMELESSNESS, WHICH IS A CIVIC ISSUE OF OUR TIME. THE MOTION
- 16 IS SUCCINCT AND GOES TO THE HEART OF THE MATTER. THE COST OF
- 17 FAMILY HOMELESSNESS CANNOT BE IGNORED. WE MUST STOP THE
- 18 PIPELINE FROM A HOMELESS CHILD TO FOSTER CARE TO PROSTITUTION,
- 19 GANGS, PRISON, AND DEATH. IT'S COST US MUCH MORE THAN WE WILL
- 20 EVER, EVER RECOVER BY NEGLECTING THESE CHILDREN. WE'RE THE
- 21 ONLY INDUSTRIALIZED DEMOCRACY ON THE FACE OF THE EARTH THAT
- 22 ALLOWS -- ALLOWS HOMELESS CHILDREN. WE HAVE 4 PERCENT OF THE
- 23 WORLD'S POPULATION, AND WE HAVE 25 PERCENT OF THE WORLD'S
- 24 PRISONERS. SO THERE HAS GOT TO BE SOME CONNECTION THERE. TO
- 25 IGNORE OUR YOUNGEST, MOST VULNERABLE, MOST IMPOVERISHED



- 1 CITIZENS IS NOT ONLY MORALLY BANKRUPT; IT'S ECONOMIC SUICIDE.
- 2 AND I THANK YOU. IF I COULD READ SOMETHING THAT WAS ACTUALLY
- 3 WRITTEN BETTER THAN ANYTHING I COULD EVER SAY, "CHILDREN
- 4 EXPERIENCING HOMELESS ARE AMONG THE MOST INVISIBLE AND
- 5 NEGLECTED INDIVIDUALS IN OUR NATION. DESPITE THE EVER GROWING
- 6 NUMBER, HOMELESS CHILDREN HAVE NO VOICE AND NO CONSTITUENCY.
- 7 WITHOUT A BED TO CALL THEIR OWN, THEY HAVE LOST SAFETY,
- 8 PRIVACY AND THE COMFORTS OF HOME, AS WELL AS FRIENDS, PETS,
- 9 POSSESSIONS, REASSURING ROUTINES AND COMMUNITY. THESE LOSSES
- 10 COMBINE TO CREATE A LIFE-ALTERING EXPERIENCE THAT INFLICTS
- 11 PROFOUND AND LASTING SCARS." THANK YOU.

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13 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU.

- 15 LORI STEIN: GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS LORI STEIN, AND I'M A
- 16 COMMISSIONER FOR PUBLIC SOCIAL SERVICES APPOINTED BY
- 17 SUPERVISOR KUEHL. AS YOU KNOW YOU ARE OUR COMMISSION
- 18 UNANIMOUSLY ENDORSED THE REQUEST THAT YOU CONSIDER THIS MUCH
- 19 NEEDED STUDY OUTLINING THE ECONOMIC COSTS OF HOMELESS
- 20 CHILDREN. I GREW UP IN LOS ANGELES RAISED BY A YOUNG DIVORCED
- 21 MOTHER OF THREE. ALTHOUGH CRAMPED AND OFTEN IN TROUBLED
- 22 NEIGHBORHOODS, WE WERE GRATEFUL TO HAVE AN APARTMENT. BUT FOR
- 23 SEVERAL YEARS, I MY MOTHER STRUNGLED TO MAKE EACH MONTH'S RENT
- 24 PAYMENT. DURING THAT TIME, I OFTEN THOUGHT WHAT WOULD HAPPEN
- 25 TO MY YOUNGER SISTER AND BROTHER IF SHE DIDN'T COME UP WITH



- 1 THE MONEY. TODAY I ONLY HAVE TO LOOK AT THE UNSPEAKABLE MISERY
- 2 THAT WOULD HAVE BEEN OUR FATE BY DRIVING UNDER A FREEWAY
- 3 BRIDGE, STROLLING DOWN A CITY STREET, OR WALKING THROUGH A
- 4 LOCAL PARK. AND THE SAD THING IS THAT ALL THE EVIDENCE POINTS
- 5 TO THE FACT THAT A LARGE PROPORTION OF THE PEOPLE WHO LIVE
- 6 OUTSIDE WERE ONCE HOMELESS CHILDREN. THE TOTAL NUMBER OF
- 7 HOMELESS CHILDREN IN L.A. COUNTY IS NORTH OF 100,000. AS THE
- 8 MOTION INDICATES, 62 PERCENT OF CHILDREN PLACED IN FOSTER CARE
- 9 WERE FORMERLY HOMELESS, AND A STAGGERING PERCENTS OF THOSE IN
- 10 THE PRISON SYSTEM WERE ONCE INVOLVED IN THE FOSTER CARE
- 11 SYSTEM. THE COST OF FOSTER CARE PER PERSON IS OVER \$50,000 PER
- 12 YEAR, AND THE COST OF PRISON EXCEEDS \$70,000 PER YEAR. WE ALSO
- 13 KNOW THAT LESS THAN 1 IN 4 HOMELESS CHILDREN GRADUATE FROM
- 14 HIGH SCHOOL, AND CALIFORNIA HIGH SCHOOL DROPOUTS COST THE
- 15 STATE ABOUT \$46 BILLION PER GRADUATING CLASS. AND YET RELIABLE
- 16 REPORTS INDICATE THAT THE ONE-TIME COST OF USING RAPID
- 17 REHOUSING TO PERMANENTLY HOUSE HOMELESS FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN
- 18 IS LESS THAN \$12,000. SUPERVISORS, I AND MY FELLOW
- 19 COMMISSIONERS ARE GRATEFUL FOR THE RESOURCES YOU HAVE
- 20 ALLOCATED TO ADDRESS HOMELESSNESS IN THIS COUNTY. THE ECONOMIC
- 21 COST OF CHILD HOMELESSNESS IS STAGGERING AND WILL LIKELY
- 22 BANKRUPT US. THE OPPORTUNITY COST TO OUR COUNTY IS ENORMOUS.
- 23 THINK OF WHAT EACH OF THESE 100,000 CHILDREN COULD BECOME AND
- 24 HOW THEY COULD CONTRIBUTE. BUT IT IS UTTERLY SCANDALOUS AND
- 25 TRULY IMMORAL FOR US TO TURN A BLIND EYE TO THE MISERY OF



1 INNOCENT CHILDREN IN OUR MIDST. I URGE YOU WITH ALL MY HEART

2 TO PASS THIS MOTION. THANK YOU.

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4 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER.

- 6 MAIA EAGLIN: GOOD MORNING, THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME. MY NAME IS
- 7 MAIA EAGLIN. I'M THE PROGRAM MANAGER MEMBER FOR THE F.S.C. IN
- 8 S.P.A. 5 AT ST. JOSEPH CENTER. AND I APPRECIATE YOUR ATTENTION
- 9 TO THIS MATTER. A FAMILY EXPERIENCING A HOMELESS CRISIS WILL
- 10 OFTEN TRIAGE THEIR NEEDS WITH SHELTER BEING THE TOP PRIORITY
- 11 AND ALL OTHER NEEDS BEING SECOND. THIS OFTEN RESULTS IN MILD
- 12 TO SEVERE MENTAL HEALTH AND PHYSICAL HEALTH NEEDS OF CHILDREN
- 13 AND PARENTS NOT BEING MET FOR LENGTHY PERIODS OF TIME. AND AS
- 14 A RESULT, HEALTH CONDITIONS WORSEN AND/OR CONTRIBUTE TO
- 15 INCREASE EPISODES OF INSTABILITY. AT ST. JOSEPH CENTER, WE ARE
- 16 CURRENTLY WORKING WITH A FAMILY WHERE BOTH MOM AND 17-YEAR-OLD
- 17 DAUGHTER ARE IN NEED OF MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES. THE DAUGHTER
- 18 HAS THE OPPORTUNITY TO ACCESS F.S.P. SERVICES DUE TO A BIPOLAR
- 19 AND P.T.S.D. DIAGNOSIS, BUT MOM'S DIFFICULTY WITH SETTING
- 20 BOUNDARIES, IN ADDITION TO THE SEVERAL TIMES THE FAMILY HAS
- 21 MOVED AROUND IN THE RECENT PAST, HAS CREATED A BARRIER TO THE
- 22 DAUGHTER ACCESSING THIS TIMELY INTERVENTION. THE FAMILY IS IN
- 23 THE PROCESS OF RECEIVING A SECTION 8 VOUCHER. MOM HAS SAID
- 24 HOUSING IS HER MAIN CONCERN AND AS A RESULT, HAS PLACED HER
- 25 MENTAL HEALTH REFERRAL ON HOLD, ALTHOUGH SHE CONTINUES TO HAVE



- 1 DIFFICULTY FOLLOWING THROUGH THE GOALS OF HER HOUSING PLAN. 75
- 2 PERCENT OF THE PARENTS WE SERVE ACCEPT MENTAL HEALTH REFERRALS
- 3 FOR THEMSELVES AND THEIR CHILDREN BUT REPORT THAT THE GOAL OF
- 4 ATTAINING SHELTER OR HOUSING COMES BEFORE ACCESSING HEALTH
- 5 SERVICES AS THEY REPORT THAT NOT HAVING THE EMOTIONAL,
- 6 PHYSICAL AND FINANCIAL CAPACITY TO SIMULTANEOUSLY MEET ALL OF
- 7 THESE NEEDS. ADDITIONAL ASSESSMENT ON THE COMPETING DEMANDS
- 8 EXPERIENCED BY HOMELESS FAMILIES AND THEIR CHILDREN WILL HELP
- 9 TO INFORM THE WAYS IN WHICH WE CAN BEST SERVE THIS VULNERABLE
- 10 POPULATION. THANK YOU.

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HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NEXT SPEAKER?

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- 14 LAURA DIEGO: GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS LAURA DIEGO, AND I'M
- 15 WITH THE WHOLE CHILD. WE ARE PART OF THE F.S.C. AND FIRST FIVE
- 16 L.A. WE'RE S.P.A. 7. I AM HERE TODAY TO SUPPORT THIS
- 17 INITIATIVE. CURRENTLY MOST OF THE RESEARCH STUDIES AND
- 18 ASSESSMENT TOOLS ARE GEARED TOWARDS IDENTIFYING THE NEEDS OF
- 19 SINGLE INDIVIDUALS. THE REALITY IS THAT HOMELESS FAMILIES AND
- 20 CHILDREN HAVE DIFFERENT NEEDS AND CHALLENGES. THIS INFORMATION
- 21 WILL ALLOW US TO SECURE THE NEEDED RESOURCES THAT ARE
- 22 IDENTIFIED THROUGH THIS STUDY. THE BARRIERS OF THE FAMILIES
- 23 INCLUDE BUT ARE NOT LIMITED TO PRIOR EVICTIONS, LARGE
- 24 FAMILIES, POOR CREDIT, LIMITED INCOME RATIOS DUE TO THEIR
- 25 FAMILY INCOME, CHILDCARE NEEDS, LACK OF CHILD SUPPORT,



- 1 EDUCATIONAL CHALLENGES, WHICH INCLUDE POOR ATTENDANCE,
- 2 CONSTANT RELOCATION OF SCHOOLS, LIMITED ACADEMIC PROGRESS,
- 3 LACK OF EDUCATIONAL TOOLS AND RESOURCES. THIS INITIATIVE WILL
- 4 FURTHER THE COUNTY'S COMMITMENT TOWARDS RESOLVING OUR HOMELESS
- 5 ISSUES AND SPECIFICALLY MEET THE NEEDS OF OUR FAMILIES AND
- 6 CHILDREN. THANK YOU.

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- 8 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. WE HAVE ONE MORE SPEAKER THAT'S
- 9 HELD THIS ITEM, 27-A, ROBIN COX?

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- 11 ROBIN COX: HELLO. MY NAME IS ROBIN COX, AND I'M AN ECONOMIST
- 12 AT THE U.S.C. SCHOOL OF SOCIAL WORK AND I'M HERE TO SAY THAT
- 13 WE ARE IN SUPPORT OF THIS INITIATIVE AND THAT WE WOULD
- 14 ACTUALLY BE INTERESTED IN POSSIBLY PARTNERING. WE STILL HAVE
- 15 TO WORK OUT THE LOGISTICS, BUT WE ARE VERY INTERESTED IN
- 16 ESTIMATING, HELPING TO ESTIMATE THE COST OF CHILDHOOD
- 17 HOMELESSNESS AND WE DO SUPPORT THIS MOTION. THANK YOU.

- 19 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: GREAT THANK YOU. MEMBERS, SINCE NONE OF US
- 20 HAVE HELD THE ITEM AND SO MANY SPEAKERS HAVE COME UP, I THINK
- 21 IT'S WORTHY OF US TO JUST GIVE SOME BACKGROUND ON HOW THIS
- 22 CAME ABOUT. YOU KNOW, LAST WEEK WE HAD A VERY THOROUGH
- 23 DISCUSSION ON HOMELESSNESS AND THE FACT THAT OUR COUNTY SPENDS
- 24 AN ENORMOUS AMOUNT OF MONEY ADDRESSING HOMELESSNESS IN
- 25 DIFFERENT AREAS. BUT ONE THAT HAS TOUCHED OUR HEARTS, I THINK,



- 1 THAT REALLY COMPELS US TO MOVE TODAY IS TO FOCUS IN ON THE
- 2 CHILD AND CHILDREN, CHILDREN THAT ARE HOMELESS, SOMETHING THAT
- 3 I KNOW SUPERVISOR KUEHL FEELS DEEPLY ABOUT AND I APPRECIATE
- 4 THAT SHE IS CO-AUTHORING THE MOTION. I'M GLAD THAT WE HAVE OUR
- 5 COMMISSIONERS AND FOLKS, BECAUSE WE ARE LISTENING. AND I THINK
- 6 THE NUMBER-ONE CONCERN THAT WE ALL HAVE IS THAT MOST PEOPLE
- 7 DON'T ANY THAT THE BOARD MOVES QUICK ENOUGH. BUT ON THINGS SO
- 8 THINGS WE DO HERE, WE DO LISTEN AND DO WANT TO MOVE AHEAD AND
- 9 WE ALSO WANT TO PARTNER WITH OUR DIFFERENT ORGANIZATIONS AS
- 10 WELL AS OUR ACADEMIC PARTNERS AND ALSO PRIVATE PARTNERS,
- 11 PHILANTHROPIC GROUPS. SO I THINK WE'RE MOVING IN THE RIGHT
- 12 DIRECTION. WE KNOW WHAT THE STATISTICS ARE. I'M GLAD THAT MANY
- 13 OF YOU WERE ABLE TO SHARE THAT, THAT WE CAN DO SO MUCH MORE TO
- 14 PREVENT A CHILD FROM LEADING A LIFE OF MISERY OR INCARCERATION
- 15 BECAUSE THEY'RE NOT ATTENDED TO WELL AT THE VERY BEGINNING. A
- 16 CHILD NEEDS FULL ASSISTANCE AND CARE, TRAUMA CARE, WHEN IT'S
- 17 INFORMED AND WHEN IT PROVIDES MEANINGFUL ASSISTANCE TO THEM
- 18 THROUGHOUT THEIR ADULT LIFE. SO I AM VERY PLEASED THAT WE HAVE
- 19 THIS ITEM BEFORE US AND WANT TO NOW ALLOW FOR SUPERVISOR KUEHL
- 20 WANTS TO MAKE A COMMENT ON THIS AND THANK HER FOR HER CO-
- 21 AUTHORSHIP OF THIS MOTION.

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23 SUP. SHEILA KUEHL: THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. THANK YOU FOR

- 24 TAKING THE LEAD ON THIS. I AGREE IT'S VERY, VERY IMPORTANT TO
- 25 UNDERSTAND IN ORDER TO SUPPORT THE ACTIONS THAT WE TAKE. THE



- 1 COSTS TO THE COUNTY. AND AS SPEAKERS AND I THINK THE
- 2 COMMISSIONERS WHO CAME TO TESTIFY, AS WELL, THANK THEM VERY
- 3 MUCH FOR THEIR WORK AND THEIR CARING. BUT I THINK THEY ALSO
- 4 KNOW THAT IT'S IMPORTANT TO USE THIS DATA IN ORDER TO SUPPORT
- 5 THE ACTIONS THAT WE TAKE. AND IT'S EXACTLY WHAT WE DID, I
- 6 THINK, IN DEVELOPING THE HOMELESS INDITIATIVE AND SOME VERY
- 7 INTENTIONAL DIRECTION THAT WE HAVE TAKEN, BECAUSE IN THIS PAST
- 8 YEAR, WE ACTUALLY MADE SOME PROGRESS IN REDUCING FAMILY
- 9 HOMELESSNESS. THE 2015 L.A.H.S.A. HOMELESS COUNT -- 2016,
- 10 SHOWED AN 18 PERCENT DECLINE. NOW, THAT'S NOT EVEN ONE FIFTH,
- 11 BUT IT'S A SIGNIFICANT NUMBER, A DECLINE IN FAMILY
- 12 HOMELESSNESS. NOW THAT'S ONLY A POINT-IN-TIME COUNT, THAT
- 13 PARTICULAR TIME. SO WE WON'T KNOW UNTIL WE SEE THE 2017 COUNT
- 14 WHETHER THIS IS ACTUALLY REALLY TAKING HOLD. BUT IT'S VERY
- 15 PROMISING. AND I WOULD SAY THE SUCCESS IS DIRECTLY LINKED TO
- 16 OUR HOMELESS FAMILIES SOLUTION SYSTEM, WHICH IS MAKING A LOT
- 17 OF PROGRESS IN RAPIDLY REHOUSING FAMILIES EXPERIENCING
- 18 HOMELESSNESS. IN THE LAST 18 MONTHS, THE HOMELESS FAMILIES
- 19 SOLUTIONS SYSTEM SUPPORTED MORE THAN 1500 FAMILIES TO MOVE
- 20 BACK INTO PERMANENT HOUSING. I MEAN, AS I SAID LAST WEEK, IT'S
- 21 REALLY DIFFICULT TO KEEP UP WITH ALL THE PEOPLE FALLING INTO
- 22 HOMELESSNESS, BUT TO HOUSE 1500 FAMILIES IS PRETTY GOOD. THIS
- 23 PROGRAM'S A COLLABORATION BETWEEN L.A.H.S.A., D.P.S.S., THE
- 24 DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH, THE SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION
- 25 AND CONTROL DIVISION, AND QUITE A FEW COMMUNITY-BASED



- 1 NONPROFITS. SO I WANT TO COMMEND THEM, BECAUSE WHEN WE SAY WE
- 2 WANT MORE DATA AND WE WANT TO DO MORE, I THINK IT'S ALWAYS
- 3 IMPORTANT, TOO, TO PAUSE AND SAY: AND GOOD FOR THE WORK THAT
- 4 YOU'RE DOING SO FAR AND HAVE DONE, BECAUSE WE'VE SHOWN THE
- 5 COLLABORATIVE APPROACH REALLY WORKS. SO WE WANT EVERY
- 6 DEPARTMENT IN THE COUNTY THAT SERVES FAMILIES TO EMBRACE
- 7 COLLABORATION, TO FOCUS ON PERMANENT HOUSING, AND TO PAY
- 8 ATTENTION TO THE STRATEGIES THAT WE ADOPTED IN THE HOMELESS
- 9 INITIATIVE. WE WANT TO LOOK AT THE STRATEGY LIKE B.6, THE
- 10 FAMILY REUNIFICATION HOUSING SUBSIDY, AND STRATEGY A.1, THE
- 11 HOMELESS PREVENTION PROGRAM FOR FAMILIES, BECAUSE THEY ARE
- 12 ALREADY SHOWING SOME PROMISE. SO I THINK THE MORE DATA WE
- 13 HAVE, THE MORE WE UNDERSTAND, THE MORE WE CAN TAILOR AND
- 14 DIRECT THE PROGRAMS THAT WE'RE DOING. SO THANK YOU, MADAME
- 15 CHAIR FOR THIS.

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- 17 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU AND, AGAIN, AND TO OUR
- 18 COMMISSIONERS, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. OKAY. THAT CONCLUDES THESE
- 19 ITEMS BEING HELD. EXECUTIVE OFFICE?

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- 21 LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: MADAME CHAIR, THE FOLLOWING ITEMS
- 22 ARE BEFORE YOU: ITEMS 15, 18, 20, 21, 27-A AND 27-B.

- 24 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THOSE ITEMS ARE MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE.
- 25 SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SUCH WILL BE THE ORDER. NOW,



- 1 MEMBERS, WE'RE GOING TO TURN TO PUBLIC HEARINGS. SO WE WILL
- 2 MOVE RIGHT INTO THAT.

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- 4 LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: ALL THOSE WHO PLAN TO TESTIFY
- 5 BEFORE THE BOARD, PLEASE STAND AND RAISE YOUR RIGHT HAND TO BE
- 6 SWORN IN. IN THE TESTIMONY YOU MAY GIVE BEFORE THIS BOARD, DO
- 7 YOU SOLEMNLY SWEAR TO TELL THE TRUTH, THE WHOLE TRUTH AND
- 8 NOTHING BUT THE TRUTH, SO HELP YOU GOD?

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10 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

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- 12 LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: ON PUBLIC HEARING ITEM NO. 1, ITEM
- 13 NO. 1 IS A HEARING ON THE TRANSFER OF TERRITORY LOCATED IN THE
- 14 CITY OF LA MIRADA, TAX ASSESSMENT ZONE B TO TAX ASSESSMENT
- 15 ZONE A WITHIN COUNTY LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT, A \$19
- 16 INCREASE OVER THE CURRENT \$1 BASE ASSESSMENT RATE FOR LA
- 17 MIRADA ZONE B. THERE IS A DEPARTMENTAL STATEMENT, AND NO
- 18 CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED.

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20 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: VERY GOOD. GOOD AHEAD.

- 22 JAMES CHON: MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, MY NAME IS
- 23 JAMES CHON AND I AM THE HEAD OF STREET LIGHTING SECTION FOR
- 24 THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. I AM FAMILIAR WITH THESE
- 25 PROCEEDINGS TO TRANSFER APPROVED TENTATIVE SUBDIVISION



- 1 TERRITORY KNOWN AS TRACT NUMBER L.039-2015 FROM TAX ASSESSMENT
- 2 ZONE B, UNLIGHTED ZONE, TO TAX ASSESSMENT ZONE A, LIGHTED
- 3 ZONE, WITHIN COUNTY LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICTS 10045 AND
- 4 LA MIRADA ZONE B TO LA MIRADA ZONE A WITHIN COUNTY LIGHTING
- 5 DISTRICT, LANDSCAPING AND LIGHTING OF 1, AND LEVYING AND
- 6 COLLECTION OF ASSESSMENTS FOR THE TRANSFER TERRITORY
- 7 IDENTIFIED IN THE BOARD LETTER, WHICH IS LOCATED IN THE CITY
- 8 OF LA MIRADA. THE CITY OF LA MIRADA HAS EXECUTED RESOLUTION
- 9 15-19 GRANTING CONSENT AND JURISDICTION TO THE COUNTY. IN MY
- 10 OPINION, TRACT NUMBER L.039-2015 WILL BE BENEFITTED BY THE
- 11 TRANSFER AND THE SERVICES TO BE PROVIDED AND THE PROPOSE ADD
- 12 SAYSMENTS HAVE BEEN SPREAD IN PROPORTION TO BENEFIT. THE BASE
- 13 ANNUAL ASSESSMENT RATE WILL BE \$20 PER PARCEL FOR LA MIRADA
- 14 ZONE A, WHICH REPRESENTS A \$19 INCREASE OVER THE CURRENT \$1
- 15 BASE ASSESSMENT RATE FOR LA MIRADA ZONE B. IN THE EVENT THAT
- 16 THERE ARE NO MAJORITY PROTESTS, WE ARE RECOMMENDING THAT YOUR
- 17 BOARD ADOPT THE RECOMMENDATION TO TRANSFER AND LEVY THE
- 18 PROPOSED ASSESSMENTS.

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- 20 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: WE DO HAVE PUBLIC COMMENT. ARNOLD SACHS ON
- 21 THIS ITEM.

- 23 ARNOLD SACHS: WELL, YES, THANK YOU. ARNOLD SACHS. I'M JUST
- 24 SPEAKING UP. I BELIEVE THE GENTLEMAN WHO MADE THE REPORT
- 25 MENTIONED THAT THE CITY OF LA MIRADA HAS TRANSFERRED



- 1 JURISDICTION TO THE COUNTY. SO WHEN THE CITY OF LA MIRADA WENT
- 2 ABOUT THIS TRANSFER, WOULD IT HAVE BEEN NOTICED TO THE PUBLIC
- 3 ABOUT HOW MANY PROPERTIES WOULD HAVE BEEN AFFECTED BY THIS
- 4 TRANSFER, AND THE FACT THAT BY TRANSFERRING THE JURISDICTION
- 5 TO THE COUNTY, THAT THOSE PROPERTIES WOULD BE LOOKING AT A \$19
- 6 INCREASE IN THEIR ASSESSMENT? HOW MANY PROPERTIES WOULD BE
- 7 AFFECTED, AND HOW WAS IT NOTICED TO THE PUBLIC? THAT'S QUITE A
- 8 BIT OF MONEY TO GO UP, AS IT WAS A LIGHTING DISTRICT OPERATING
- 9 ON A \$1 ASSESSMENT PER PROPERTY. NOW IT'S A LIGHTING DISTRICT
- 10 OPERATING ON A \$20 ASSESSMENT PER PROPERTY. AND WHY THE
- 11 DIFFERENCE IN THAT RATE, THAT BEING UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF
- 12 THE COUNTY WOULD CAUSE IT TO GO UP \$19? THAT WASN'T REALLY
- 13 EXPLAINED BY THE GENTLEMAN. I DO APPRECIATE HIM BRINGING UP
- 14 THE FACT THAT THE JURISDICTION WAS CHANGED. KIND OF REMINDED
- 15 ME OF PORTER RANCH. BUT IT DOESN'T REALLY EXPLAIN HOW COME THE
- 16 COUNTY HAS THE ABILITY TO CHARGE AN EXTRA \$19 TO THE
- 17 PROPERTIES THAT WERE PROBABLY UP, WELL, I CAN'T SAY, BUT I
- 18 WOULD ASSUME THAT THEY WERE OPERATING EFFICIENTLY AT A A \$1
- 19 ASSESSMENT PER PROPERTY. AND THAT THE COUNTY HAS THE NEEDS TO
- 20 CHARGE \$19. THERE'S AN ITEM ON YOUR AGENDA THAT TALKS ABOUT
- 21 COST EFFICIENCIES. THAT DOESN'T SOUND VERY COST EFFICIENT. I'M
- 22 SURE IF YOU ASKED ONE OF THE PROPERTY OWNERS, THEY MIGHT
- 23 AGREE.

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25 **HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR:** EXECUTIVE OFFICE?



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- 2 LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: MADAME CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE
- 3 BOARD, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE AT THIS TIME TO CLOSE THE
- 4 PUBLIC HEARING, DIRECT THE TABULATION OF BALLOTS, AND TABLE
- 5 THE ITEM UNTIL LATER IN THE MEETING FOR TABULATION RESULTS AND
- 6 ACTION BY YOUR BOARD. THIS MATTER IS BEFORE YOU.

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- 8 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: OKAY. THIS ITEM IS MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
- 9 KNABE. SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION.

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- 11 LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: PUBLIC HEARING ITEM NO. 2. THIS IS
- 12 THE HEARING ON THE SEWER SERVICE CHARGE ANNUAL REPORT FOR
- 13 FISCAL YEAR 2016-17 FOR THE CONSOLIDATED SEWER MAINTENANCE
- 14 DISTRICT. THE MARINA SEWER MAINTENANCE DISTRICT, THE
- 15 ACCUMULATIVE CAPITAL OUTLET FUND AND ZONES. THERE IS A
- 16 DEPARTMENT STATEMENT AND NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED.

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18 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: VERY GOOD. DEPARTMENT?

- 20 NICHOLAS AGBOBU: MY NAME IS NICHOLAS AGBOBU AND I AM A CIVIL
- 21 ENGINEER FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. I AM FAMILIAR
- 22 WITH THESE PROCEEDINGS TO ADOPT A SEWER CHARGE FOR THE
- 23 CONSOLIDATED -- SEWER MAINTENANCE DISTRICT FOR 2016-2017 AND
- 24 CONTINUE TO COLLECT THE SEWER SERVICE CHARGES ON THE TAX ROLL.
- 25 ALL CHARGES WILL REMAIN AT THEIR EXISTING RATES, EXCEPT THAT



- 1 THE ADDITIONAL SEWER CHARGE OF \$219 IN THE MALIBU ZONE IS SET
- 2 TO TERMINATE AT THE END OF FISCAL YEAR 2015/2016 AND WILL NO
- 3 LONGER BE COLLECTED. THE REPORT OF THE SEWER SERVICE CHARGES
- 4 WAS PREPARED IN MY OFFICE UNDER MY DIRECTION. IN MY OPINION,
- 5 THE SEWER SERVICE CHARGES HAVE BEEN FAIRLY IMPOSED. IN MY
- 6 OPINION, IT IS IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST TO CONTINUE TO COLLECT
- 7 THE ENTIRE SEWER SERVICE CHARGES ON THE TAX ROLL, BECAUSE IT
- 8 PROVIDES FOR THE MOST ORDERLY AND COST-EFFECTIVE COLLECTION OF
- 9 SUCH CHARGES FROM THE PROPERTY OWNERS.

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- 11 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: VERY GOOD. WE HAVE ONE PUBLIC SPEAKER,
- 12 ERIC PREVEN.

- 14 ERIC PREVEN: SO, THANK YOU. IT IS ERIC PREVEN FROM THE THIRD
- 15 DISTRICT. AS MANY OF YOU KNOW, THE DISTRICT'S SEWER SYSTEM
- 16 SPANS 500,000 PARCELS AND SERVES ABOUT A POPULATION OF ABOUT 2
- 17 MILLION RESIDENTS, 36 CITIES, TWO CONTRACT CITIES, AND 9 TAX
- 18 ZONES. SO IT'S A BIG OPERATION. AND THE WAY WE RUN THE MOTOR
- 19 IS WE PROVIDE A LITTLE TAX. NOW THE GOOD NEWS IS, AS
- 20 SUPERVISOR KNABE AND I HAVE DISCUSSED OVER THE YEARS, THIS
- 21 DOES NOT NECESSARILY AFFECT THE MARINA EVEN IF THE MARINA IS
- 22 IN THE TITLE, BECAUSE WE BREAK IT OUT INTO TWO DISTRICTS, THE,
- 23 I GUESS IT'S CALLED THE CONSOLIDATED SEWER MAINTENANCE
- 24 DISTRICT WHICH SPANS LOTS OF PLACES IN THE COUNTY AND THEN THE
- 25 MARINA SEWER MAINTENANCE DISTRICT, WHICH SPANS THE MARINA AND



- 1 A LITTLE BIT PERHAPS ELSE AROUND IT. SO THE GOOD NEWS IS, AS I
- 2 SAY, THE RATES ARE NOT GOING UP. SO IF I HAVE THAT CORRECT.
- 3 THERE ARE MAYBE SOME RATE INCREASES BUT NOT IN THE MARINA, FOR
- 4 THOSE THAT FOLLOW ALONG IN THE MARINA. AND I DID NOTICE
- 5 ACTUALLY THAT IN THE MALIBU AREA, WE ARE ALSO NOT HAVING AN
- 6 INCREASE. WE ARE HAVING SOMETHING, EXCEPT FOR TRACT 48853,
- 7 LOTS 1 THROUGH 22 IN THE MALIBU ZONE, WHICH I DO NOT
- 8 UNDERSTAND, I WILL CONFESS. BUT THIS IS ORDINARY BUSINESS
- 9 MOVING FORWARD. SO THANK YOU FOR APPROVING IT.

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11 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: OKAY. EXECUTIVE OFFICE?

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- 13 LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: MADAME CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE
- 14 BOARD, A DETERMINATION HAS BEEN MADE THAT NO MAJORITY PROTESTS
- 15 EXIST AGAINST THE PROPOSED SEWER SERVICE CHARGE ANNUAL REPORT
- 16 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016/17 FOR THE CONSOLIDATED SEWER MAINTENANCE
- 17 DISTRICT AND THE MARINA SEWER MAINTENANCE DISTRICT. AS A
- 18 RESULT, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE FOR THE BOARD TO CLOSE THE
- 19 PUBLIC HEARING AND ADOPT THE REPORT TO FOLLOW COLLECTION OF
- 20 SEWER SERVICE CHARGES WITH THE ANNUAL PROPERTY TAXES FOR
- 21 FISCAL YEAR 2016/17. THIS MATTER IS BEFORE YOU.

- 23 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THIS ITEM IS MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL.
- 24 SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION. SUCH WILL BE THE ORDER. THIS
- 25 PUBLIC HEARING IS CLOSED AND WE'RE AFFIRMING.



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- 2 LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: ON ITEM NO. 3, THIS IS A PUBLIC
- 3 HEARING ON ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE EXTENDING INTERIM
- 4 ORDINANCE NO. 2016-0022.U THAT WILL TEMPORARILY IMPOSE A BAN
- 5 ON THE CULTIVATION, MANUFACTURING, LABORATORY TESTING, AND
- 6 DISTRIBUTION OF MEDICAL MARIJUANA AND PROHIBIT THEIR
- 7 ESTABLISHMENT ON ALL PROPERTIES LOCATED IN THE UNINCORPORATED
- 8 TERRITORY OF THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. THERE IS NO
- 9 DEPARTMENTAL STATEMENT AND NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED.

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- 11 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: WITH THAT, MEMBERS, THEN WE'LL GO STRAIGHT
- 12 TO SPEAKERS. OUR FIRST SPEAKER IS IN LANCASTER, GREG
- 13 HERNANDEZ, AND DR. DIANA BEARD WILLIAMS.

- 15 GREG HERNANDEZ: GOOD MORNING, LADIES AND GENTLEMEN OF THE
- 16 BOARD. MY NAME'S GREG HERNANDEZ. I COME FROM LAKE LOS ANGELES,
- 17 OUT IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY, WHERE I REPRESENT THE ANTELOPE
- 18 VALLEY CANNABIS CHAMBER OF COMMERCE AND THE HISPANIC
- 19 ORGANIZATION FOR PEACE AND EQUALITY. I'M HERE TODAY TO GO
- 20 AHEAD AND SPEAK ON BEHALF OF THOUSANDS OF CANNABIS PATIENTS
- 21 WHO WILL BE NEGATIVELY AFFECTED BY THE BAN THAT HAS BEEN
- 22 PLACED ON MEDICAL MARIJUANA IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. IT'S A
- 23 SHAME THIS HAS HAPPENED, BECAUSE WHAT HAS ACTUALLY RESULTED IS
- 24 THE DENIAL OF PLENTY OF INDIVIDUALS LIKE MYSELF WHO HAVE
- 25 PHYSICAL INFIRMITIES THAT REQUIRE MEDICAL CANNABIS FOR USE. WE



- 1 HAVE PEOPLE WHO HAVE SEIZURES. WE HAVE PEOPLE WHO HAVE
- 2 GLAUCOMA. WE HAVE THOSE WITH DEGENERATIVE BONE DISEASES,
- 3 CHRONIC PAIN. AND UNFORTUNATELY THEY ARE DENIED THEIR
- 4 MEDICATIONS NOW BECAUSE OF THE CLOSURE OF OUR CANNABIS
- 5 CLINICS, OUR DISPENSARIES. WHAT THIS DOES IS ACTUALLY TAKES
- 6 AND FORCES US TO GO TO EXTREME LENGTHS TO OBTAIN OUR
- 7 MEDICATION. WE HAVE PATIENTS THAT ARE UP HERE NOW WHO GO ALL
- 8 THE WAY UP TO KERN COUNTY IN ORDER TO GET THEIR MEDICATIONS OR
- 9 THEY HAVE TO RESORT TO TRAVELING DOWN INTO THE SAN FERNANDO
- 10 VALLEY IN VAN NUYS IN ORDER TO GET THEIR MEDICATIONS. AND THEN
- 11 WE HAVE TO GO AHEAD AND TALK ABOUT THE EXPENSE. THE ONLY THING
- 12 THAT THIS BAN HAS GONE AHEAD AND DONE IS REIGNITED THE BLACK
- 13 MARKET HERE IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY, WHERE AT ONE TIME WE WERE
- 14 ABLE TO GO AHEAD AND PICK UP OUR MEDS FOR LIKE PERHAPS MAYBE
- 15 AS LITTLE AS \$2,000 FOR 16 OUNCES. NOW WHAT WE HAVE TO GO
- 16 AHEAD AND DO IS WE'RE PAYING UPWARDS OF \$4,000 TO OBTAIN OUR
- 17 MEDICATIONS. AND THIS IS ACTUALLY DONE IN A COLLECTIVE MANNER
- 18 SO THAT WE CAN GO AHEAD AND GET A LOWER PRICE, BECAUSE NOW YOU
- 19 ARE PAYING ALMOST \$300 AN OUNCE FOR MEDICINAL CANNABIS. SO,
- 20 PLEASE, WHAT WE'RE GOING AHEAD AND TALKING ABOUT IS A QUALITY
- 21 OF LIFE ISSUE. THE BAN DOESN'T HAVE TO GO AHEAD AND PUNISH THE
- 22 CANNABIS PATIENTS, BECAUSE WHAT WE'RE TALKING ABOUT IS MONEY.
- 23 WE'RE NOT TALKING ABOUT THE SAFETY OF THE PEOPLE, BECAUSE
- 24 THERE'S NO DANGER THAT COMES FROM CANNABIS. THANK YOU.



1 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER? DIANA BEARD

2 WILLIAMS.

- 4 DR. DIANA BEARD WILLIAMS: SUPERVISOR SOLIS AND EVERYONE OUT
- 5 THERE IN L.A. COUNTY WHO IS LISTENING, IN ADDITION TO THE
- 6 BOARD, I SUFFER FROM A NUMBER OF DISEASES: DIABETES, P.T.S.D.
- 7 I HAD CANCER OF THE THYROID. I HAVE SEVERE ANXIETY DUE TO 30
- 8 YEARS OF TRYING TO ADVOCATE UP HERE IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY FOR
- 9 MANY THINGS THAT HAVE BEEN WRONG, BEING PUT THROUGH BOGUS
- 10 WARRANTS THAT THE F.B.I. AND THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE DEPARTMENT
- 11 HAD TO GET INVOLVED IN ORDER TO PULL OUT OF THE COURT SYSTEM
- 12 UP HERE, BECAUSE THEY WERE GAMES BEING PLAYED ON ME BY JUDGES
- 13 AND OUR -- AND INDIVIDUALS SUCH AS THAT. I ASK YOU IN TERMS OF
- 14 THIS ORDINANCE TO PLEASE TREAD VERY CAREFULLY. I TAKE A LOT OF
- 15 MEDICATIONS, AND IT'S BEEN RECOMMENDED TO ME THAT CANNABIS
- 16 WOULD BE A BETTER SOLUTION FOR ME IN TERMS OF MY KIDNEYS, MY
- 17 LIVER, AND MY OVERALL HEALTH. THIS BAN HOLDS ME BACK FROM
- 18 BEING ABLE TO TRY SOMETHING THAT WOULD PERHAPS PROLONG MY LIFE
- 19 BY NOT POLLUTING MY SYSTEM IN THE WAY THAT ALL OF THESE LEGAL
- 20 DRUGS DO. PLEASE THINK HARD AND FAST BEFORE YOU REALLY ATTACK
- 21 THE QUALITY OF LIFE OF PATIENTS LIKE MYSELF WHO HAVE HAD
- 22 CANCER AND OTHER DISEASES BY BANNING SOMETHING THAT COULD
- 23 REALLY PROLONG OUR LIVES, SIMPLY BECAUSE THE PHARMACEUTICAL
- 24 AGENCIES WANT TO MAKE THEIR MONEY. AND THERE IS A BETTER WAY
- 25 FOR US TO LIVE AND A BETTER WAY FOR MANY OF US TO HAVE QUALITY



- 1 OF LIFE. I WANT TO BE ABLE TO TRY THIS PRODUCT IN LIEU OF
- 2 TAKING 10 MEDICATIONS A DAY, 6 MILLIGRAMS OF XANAX A DAY. I
- 3 WOULD RATHER TRY CANNABIS. PLEASE DO NOT HOLD ME BACK FROM
- 4 THAT OPPORTUNITY BY TAKING THIS ORDINANCE SERIOUSLY AND
- 5 PUTTING IT IN PLACE. GOD BLESS ALL OF YOU.

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7 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

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9 SUP. SHEILA KUEHL: IS THAT ALL THE SPEAKERS?

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11 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: NO. WE HAVE SEVERAL.

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13 SUP. SHEILA KUEHL: I'LL WAIT, THEN. THANK YOU.

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- 15 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: WE HAVE ALSO JOSH DRAYTON TO SPEAK ON THIS
- 16 ITEM AND DARRYL CRUZ, DAVID CUNNINGHAM, MICHAEL LONG. WE'LL
- 17 TRY TO CALL YOU UP IN PAIRS OF THREE OR FOUR SO WE CAN GET
- 18 THROUGH THIS. THANK YOU. AND JUST STATE YOUR NAME FOR THE
- 19 RECORD AND START.

- 21 JOSH DREYTON: HI, I'M JOSH DRAYTON. I AM THE DEPUTY DIRECTOR
- 22 OF THE CALIFORNIA CANNABIS INDUSTRY ASSOCIATION. WE ARE A
- 23 STATEWIDE TRADE ORGANIZATION FOR EVERY SECTOR OF THE CANNABIS
- 24 INDUSTRY. WE HAVE REPRESENTATIVES OR MEMBERS THAT CULTIVATE,
- 25 THAT DISPENSE, MANUFACTURE. WE ALSO DEAL WITH SOCIAL JUSTICE



- 1 ATTORNEYS AND TESTING LABS. WHILE WE RECOGNIZE THAT A BAN IS
- 2 IN PLACE HERE BECAUSE THERE'S NOT A REGULATORY STRUCTURE, WE
- 3 WOULD ENCOURAGE YOU TO CREATE AN AD HOC COMMITTEE, BRINGING
- 4 INDUSTRY REPRESENTATIVES FORWARD TO EDUCATE ON THIS MATTER.
- 5 WE'VE BEEN DOING EVENTS THROUGHOUT SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA,
- 6 RECOGNIZING THAT THERE IS A LACK OF EDUCATION ON CANNABIS. I
- 7 COME FROM A POLITICAL BACKGROUND. I WORKED FOR THE LAST TWO
- 8 PRO TEMSS OF THE SENATE AND JUST JUMPED INTO CANNABIS IN
- 9 JANUARY, RECOGNIZING THE NEED. ALL THESE BANS IN SOUTHERN
- 10 CALIFORNIA ARE DETRIMENTAL NOT ONLY TO THE PATIENTS BUT TO THE
- 11 CANNABIS INDUSTRY. CANNABIS IS NOT GOING AWAY. AS WE LOOK TO
- 12 THE FUTURE IN NOVEMBER, A.U.M.A. IS POLLING VERY HIGH AND DOES
- 13 LOOK LIKE IT WILL PASS. I WOULD ENCOURAGE THE BOARD TO GET
- 14 AHEAD OF THIS INSTEAD OF BEHIND. WE ARE WILLING TO BE A
- 15 RESOURCE TO YOU IN ANY WAY POSSIBLE. THERE IS PLENTY OF DATA
- 16 OUT THERE NOW THAT ACKNOWLEDGES MEDICAL CANNABIS AS BEING
- 17 EFFECTIVE. THERE'S PLENTY OF DATA THAT CAN SHOW YOU THAT
- 18 REGULATING DECREASES THE BLACK MARKET. IT DECREASES CRIME AND
- 19 INCREASES PUBLIC SAFETY AND PUBLIC HEALTH.

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21 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: GOOD POINT. THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

- 23 DAVID CUNNINGHAM: YES. MY NAME'S DAVID CUNNINGHAM. AND I'M A
- 24 PATIENT OF THE MEDICAL CANNABIS SOCIETY, I GUESS YOU'D SAY.
- 25 JUST A LITTLE HISTORY ABOUT MYSELF. I WORKED IN THE FILM



- 1 BUSINESS HERE IN L.A. AND I'VE BEEN WORKING HERE SINCE THE MID
- 2 80S. I WAS WORKING ON A FILM BACK IN THE MID 90S CALLED
- 3 "CYBORG 2" AND WE WERE SHOOTING ON AN AIRCRAFT CARRIER. AND I
- 4 STEPPED OFF INTO THE AIRCRAFT ELEVATOR, WHICH WAS DOWN ABOUT
- 5 18 INCHES, AND IT FRACTURED MY BACK. WORKER'S COMP CAME IN.
- 6 THEY RETRAINED ME TO DO SOMETHING ELSE, BECAUSE AT THAT TIME I
- 7 WAS WORKING IN THE ART DEPARTMENT AS A CONSTRUCTION
- 8 COORDINATOR. I WAS NO LONGER ABLE TO LIFT AND BEND AND DO THE
- 9 THINGS THAT I HAD BEEN REQUIRED TO DO. SINCE THAT TIME, I'VE
- 10 HAD TO GO IN AND HAVE NUMEROUS SPINAL INJECTIONS. AND IN 2007,
- 11 AFTER SPINAL INJECTIONS HAD FAILED, THEY JUST CONTINUED TO
- 12 INCREASE MY MEDICAL PAIN PILLS. I'M UNDER A DOCTOR'S CARE
- 13 RIGHT NOW AT A PAIN CLINIC. THEY PUT ME ON MORPHINE LAST YEAR.
- 14 TO TRY TO CONTROL MY SITUATION. AS YOU KNOW, WHEN YOU'RE ON
- 15 PAIN MEDS FOR A LONG TIME, YOUR KIDNEYS START FAILING AND YOUR
- 16 LIVER TAKES A HIT. AND SO MY DOCTOR AT THE PAIN CLINIC
- 17 SUGGESTS I GO OUT AND TRY MEDICAL CANNABIS. AND I DON'T SMOKE.
- 18 I NEVER DRANK. I'VE NEVER DONE ANY OTHER DRUGS. I'VE HAD GREAT
- 19 PARENTS THAT TAUGHT ME THESE THINGS WERE DANGEROUS. AND I GOT
- 20 HOOKED UP WITH A CLINIC THAT GAVE ME SOME C.B.D. OIL, AND IT
- 21 HAS STARTED WORKING ON MY SPINE AND I'VE BEEN ABLE TO START
- 22 REDUCING MY PAIN MEDS. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

24 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU, SIR. NEXT SPEAKER.

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- 1 DARRYL CRUZ: THANK YOU. I AM DARRYL CRUZ. ON MARCH 28, 2006,
- 2 SITTING RIGHT HERE, I SAID, "YOU SHOULD HAVE TAKEN A LITTLE
- 3 MORE TIME TO CONSIDER RECOMMENDING REGULATIONS REGARDING THE
- 4 NUMBER OF PLANTS ALLOWED TO GROW OR THE LOCATION OF THOSE
- 5 PLANTS OR HOW TO DISTRIBUTE." REGIONAL PLANNING SAID CANNABIS
- 6 WAS NOT MENTIONED IN THE CODE. THEY SAID I COULD HAVE A 20-TON
- 7 PRESS IN MY ZONE. COUNTY AGRICULTURE SAID I NEEDED AN
- 8 APPLICATOR'S LICENSE FOR THE USE OF PESTICIDE. BUT NO
- 9 PESTICIDE IS REGISTERED FOR USE ON CANNABIS. I CULTIVATE
- 10 ORGANICALLY AND PRESS OIL OUT OF MOST OF IT. YOU DID NOTHING
- 11 FOR 10 YEARS. THEN YOU CLAIMED AN URGENCY ON THE MATTER AND MY
- 12 USE IS BANNED? THAT JUST DOES NOT SEEM COMPASSIONATE. WHAT ARE
- 13 YOU WAITING FOR? REGULATE IT. YOUR BANS DON'T WORK. YOU DON'T
- 14 ENFORCE THEM. IN NOVEMBER OF LAST YEAR, I PROVIDE TO RICK
- 15 VELASOUEZ OF DON KNABE'S OFFICE, FIVE COPIES OF A SPEECH ON
- 16 THE HISTORY OF NONMEDICAL USE OF DRUGS. RICK SAID HE WOULD
- 17 FORWARD ONE OF THE COPIES TO EACH DISTRICT. I WANTED TO BE
- 18 SURE YOU HAD THE FACTS ABOUT MARIJUANA PROHIBITION AND THE
- 19 FAILED DRUG WAR. DID YOU GET A CHANCE TO VIEW THOSE?
- 20 ADDITIONALLY, I PROVIDED RICK A COPY OF THE OFFICIAL REPORT ON
- 21 THE NATIONAL COMMISSION OF MARIJUANA AND DRUG ABUSE. BOTH OF
- 22 THOSE DOCUMENTS PRESENT INFORMATION ABOUT THE REASONS FOR
- 23 MARIJUANA PROHIBITION. PROHIBITION IS BASED ON LIES AND HATE.
- 24 NO ONE HERE COULD AGREE WITH THOSE LIES. CAN'T EVEN SAY THOSE
- 25 THINGS TODAY. WOW, I'LL TALK TO YOU LATER. THANK YOU.



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2 MICHAEL LONG: GOOD MORNING, MY NAME IS MICHAEL ANTHONY LONG. I

- 3 AM A WORKING PROFESSIONAL AND A CANNABIS PATIENT. EXCUSE ME, A
- 4 LITTLE NERVOUS TODAY. I USE CANNABIS TO MEDICATE AND TAKE CARE
- 5 OF MY NEEDS FOR MY DAILY LIFE. I SEE A SIGNIFICANT REDUCTION
- 6 IN HOW -- ACTUALLY I SEE SIGNIFICANT INCREASE IN HOW I'M ABLE
- 7 TO CONCENTRATE AND BE A BETTER PARTICIPANT IN SOCIETY. WHEN I
- 8 WAS YOUNGER, I ACTUALLY WAS ON THE SCOPE OF MEDICATIONS, AND
- 9 THE NEGATIVES OUTWEIGHED ANY OF THE POSITIVES. AND I WOULD
- 10 REALLY, REALLY, REALLY ASK THE COUNCIL TO THINK ABOUT WHAT IT
- 11 IS THEY ARE GOING FORWARD WITH AND HELP PATIENTS AND PRODUCERS
- 12 OF CANNABIS THAT SERIOUSLY BOTH NEED ONE ANOTHER. THANK YOU.

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- 14 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. WE HAVE ANOTHER SET OF
- 15 SPEAKERS. JONATAN CVETKO, TRACY RYAN, ERIC PREVEN, ARNOLD
- 16 SACHS, JONATHAN GARBER, KATHLEEN VILLAREAL, AND DR. GENEVIEVE
- 17 CLAVREUL. GO AHEAD, ERIC.

- 19 ERIC PREVEN: YES, GREETINGS. IT IS ERIC PREVEN. AND I JUST
- 20 WANT TO REMIND THAT, A, THIS IS A FOUR-VOTE ITEM, AND MARK
- 21 RIDLEY-THOMAS IS IN SACRAMENTO, B, THIS HAS BEEN ON THE AGENDA
- 22 BEFORE. AND THE REASON WHY IT'S ON THE AGENDA AGAIN, MAYOR
- 23 ANTONOVICH IS NOT TRYING TO PROVOKE US. THIS IS ON THE AGENDA
- 24 BECAUSE THERE'S A 45-DAY REQUIREMENT BY THE LAW AND THEN IT
- 25 WILL GO ANOTHER 90 DAYS. SO THAT'S WHAT'S HAPPENING. BUT IT IS



- 1 ABOUT BANNING THE MARIJUANA CULTIVATION AND VARIOUS THINGS,
- 2 SUPERVISOR KUEHL. AND I KNOW HISTORICALLY YOU HAVE STOOD WITH
- 3 THE PATIENTS WHO ARE SEEKING TREATMENT. NOW, BANNING IS A
- 4 STRONG LANGUAGE. I THINK PEOPLE ARE COMFORTABLE WITH A KIND OF
- 5 REGULATION, AND I THINK THE PEOPLE IN THE ANTELOPE VALLEY ARE
- 6 ENTITLED SOME FAIR PLAY THERE. THERE ARE APPARENTLY SOME BAD
- 7 ACTORS, IS THE TERM, WHO DO NOT COMPLY WITH ANY KIND OF
- 8 DECENCY. BUT NOW THAT IS A BIG CONCERN. BUT TO BAN IN THIS
- 9 CASE THE DISTRIBUTION. BRUCKNER HAS GONE OFF TO DO A LITTLE
- 10 RESEARCH. I KNOW PEOPLE ARE GIGGLING BECAUSE THEY THINK, OH,
- 11 HE'S GONE OUT TO SAMPLE AND SORT OF GET BAKED OUT IN THE
- 12 VALLEY, AS MANY DO. BUT SERIOUSLY, THIS IS AN AREA WHERE THEY
- 13 SHOULD NOT BE BANNING. THEY SHOULD BE POSSIBLY EMBRACING. WE
- 14 HAVE A GREAT DEAL OF OPEN SPACE THERE. THERE COULD BE
- 15 TAXATION. THERE COULD BE REGULATION. I REALLY THINK THAT THE
- 16 BOARD OUGHT TO SERIOUSLY CONSIDER MODIFYING ITS LANGUAGE. AND
- 17 FINALLY I JUST WANT TO, SINCE THE ONLY THING ANYBODY CARES
- 18 ABOUT IS BIG-TIME SPORTS, THERE WAS AN ARTICLE IN THE NEW YORK
- 19 TIMES JUST A WEEK OR SO AGO ABOUT A BIG N.F.L. GUY THERE, AND
- 20 OTHERS, THAT CAME OUT, BASICALLY AND SAID THAT N.F.L. PLAYERS
- 21 SHOULD NOT BE BANNED FROM UTILIZING MARIJUANA BECAUSE IN FACT
- 22 IT IS HELPFUL TO THEM. NOW, HOW THEY WOULD KNOW THAT IS A GOOD
- 23 OUESTION. BUT I THINK THAT THEY KNOW THAT BECAUSE THEY HAVE
- 24 SAMPLED IT AND SEE IT WORKS. SO REGARDLESS OF HOW YOU FEEL
- 25 TODAY OR OTHERS, PLEASE DO NOT BAN THIS PRODUCT. THANK YOU.



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HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: NEXT SPEAKER.

- 4 TRACY RYAN: MY NAME IS TRACY RYAN. I'M THE CEO OF THE
- 5 CALIFORNIA COOPERATIVE CALLED CANNAKIDS, AND I'M ALSO THE
- 6 MOTHER OF A DAUGHTER, OF A LITTLE GIRL NAMED SOPHIE RYAN WHO
- 7 WAS DIAGNOSED 8 1/2 MONTHS OLD WITH A OPTIC PATHWAY BRAIN
- 8 TUMOR. THROUGH THE USE OF MEDICAL MARIJUANA, WE HAVE SHRANK
- 9 THE TUMOR THAT WAS NEVER SUPPOSED TO SHRINK, AND IF IT DID, IT
- 10 WAS MINIMAL AT BEST. WE HAVE SAVED HER VISION WHEN WE WERE
- 11 TOLD SHE WAS GOING TO BE ALMOST COMPLETELY BLIND. IT HAS SAVED
- 12 HER FROM ONSET CHEMO FEVERS. SHE HAS CONTINUED TO GROW AND
- 13 FLOURISH AND HAVE A NORMAL HEALTHY LIFE DESPITE 25 MONTHS OF
- 14 CHEMOTHERAPY. THROUGH CANNAKIDS ORGANIZATION, WE HAVE SEEN
- 15 THESE SAME RESULTS IN CHILDREN ALL OVER CALIFORNIA. WE HAVE
- 16 CHILDREN WHO WERE SENT HOME TO DIE WITH 30 DAYS TO LIVE AND NO
- 17 CHANCE OF SURVIVAL ONLY TO FIND THAT 90 DAYS AFTER STARTING
- 18 MEDICAL CANNABIS, THEIR CANCER WAS COMPLETELY GONE AND A YEAR
- 19 LATER THEY'RE STILL IN FULL REMISSION. WE HAVE LEUKEMIA
- 20 PATIENTS WHO WERE DYING, FEEDING TUBES, SKIN AND BONES, COULD
- 21 NOT PICK THEIR HEAD UP OR WALK, AND WITHIN TWO MONTHS, THEY
- 22 WERE BACK IN SCHOOL, FEEDING TUBES WERE OUT, THEIR FEVERS HAD
- 23 STOPPED, THEIR VOMITING HAD STOPPED, AND THEY WERE LIVING A
- 24 FULL AND HEALTHY LIFE. I AM BEGGING YOU ON BEHALF OF OUR
- 25 PATIENTS TO PLEASE RECONSIDER THIS BAN. WE ARE CURRENTLY IN



- 1 COLLABORATION WITH THE TECHNEON INSTITUTE IN ISRAEL, WHO HAS
- 2 MILLIONS OF DOLLARS AND THE PERMISSION OF THE MINISTRY OF
- 3 HEALTH TO TRIAL MEDICAL CANNABIS FOR THE USE OF CANCER.
- 4 THEY'VE ALREADY PROVEN TIME AND TIME AGAIN IN THEIR LABS THAT
- 5 CANNABIS KILLS CANCER. AND THROUGH THIS RESEARCH AND OUR
- 6 COLLABORATION EFFORTS WITH THEM, OUR GOALS IS TO CREATE
- 7 MEDICINE THAT IS SPECIFIC NOT ONLY TO TREAT DISEASE OR CANCER
- 8 BUT GENETICALLY MUTATED CANCERS. THESE PATIENTS NEED YOUR
- 9 HELP. THEY ARE LIVING, BREATHING, AND THRIVING BECAUSE OF THIS
- 10 PLANT. AND IT'S NOT JUST CANCER. IT'S AUTISM, EPILEPSY,
- 11 P.T.S.D., CROHN'S DISEASE, H.I.V. THE LIST GOES ON AND ON AND
- 12 ON. SO I'M ASKING FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION TO OPEN YOUR HEARTS
- 13 AND MINDS TO THESE PATIENTS AND NOT LOOK AT THIS AS A STONER
- 14 DRUG THAT JUST GETS PEOPLE HIGH. BUT IT IS TRULY MUCH MORE
- 15 THAN THAT. THANK YOU.

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17 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: NEXT SPEAKER?

- 19 JONATHAN GARBER: HELLO. MY NAME IS JONATHAN GARBER. I AM A
- 20 MEDICAL CANNABIS PATIENT IN LOS ANGELES. I STRONGLY OPPOSE THE
- 21 BAN. CULTIVATORS, DISPENSARIES, DELIVERY SERVICES, AND
- 22 MANUFACTURERS HAVE SERVED OUR COMMUNITY FOR MANY YEARS NOW.
- 23 AND WE NOW HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO REGULATE THE INDUSTRY,
- 24 PROTECT PATIENTS AND OUR COMMUNITIES. THE BENEFITS OF LOCAL
- 25 REGULATION, LICENSING ARE MANY. THE PROBLEMS ARE OVERSTATED.



- 1 THE DIFFERENT BANS ON MEDICAL CANNABIS IN L.A. COUNTY HAVE
- 2 DISPROPORTIONATELY AFFECTED DISABLED AND LOWER INCOME PATIENTS
- 3 OF OUR COMMUNITY. THE BANS HAVE PUSHED BUSINESSES INTO THE
- 4 SHADOWS WHERE IT IS IMPOSSIBLE TO REGULATE THEM. REGULATED
- 5 CULTIVATION AND RETAIL CAN BE EASILY MONITORED AND POLICED.
- 6 REGULATED CANNABIS BUSINESSES WILL CREATE JOBS, GENERATE TAX
- 7 REVENUE, AND BRING OTHER ECONOMIC BENEFITS TO THE COMMUNITY.
- 8 THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FOOD AND AGRICULTURE HAS BEEN
- 9 RECENTLY DIRECTED BY THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA TO REGULATE
- 10 MEDICAL CANNABIS CULTIVATION. WE TRUST THEM TO REGULATE
- 11 EXISTING AGRICULTURE IN L.A. COUNTY. SO WHY DOES L.A. COUNTY
- 12 NEED ANOTHER 10-1/2 MONTHS TO FIGURE OUT HOW TO REGULATE
- 13 CANNABIS CULTIVATION AND WHERE THEY CAN OCCUR ZONING-WISE?
- 14 THIS CAN AND SHOULD BE FIGURED OUT UNDER A REASONABLE AMOUNT
- 15 OF TIME AND WITHOUT PUNISHING PATIENTS. THANK YOU.

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17 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

- 19 JONATAN CVETKO: HELLO MY NAME IS JONATAN CVETKO. TODAY I AND
- 20 OTHERS HERE HAVE COME TO ASK YOU FOR TWO THINGS, RECONSIDERING
- 21 THE EXTENDING OF THE BAN ON MEDICAL CANNABIS AND TO GIVE US A
- 22 BETTER WAY FOR US STAKEHOLDERS TO PARTICIPATE IN THE STUDY BY
- 23 THE BOARD AND THE DEPARTMENT OF REGIONAL PLANNING. IT'S BEEN
- 24 SUGGESTED THAT THE BAN IS FOR PUBLIC HEALTH, SAFETY AND
- 25 WELFARE. ON BEHALF OF OTHERS WHOM I HAVE TAKEN CARE OF, I CAN



- 1 TELL YOU THAT THIS BAN DOES NOT ACCOMMODATE FOR THEIR HEALTH,
- 2 SAFETY OR WELFARE. THERE IS A PATIENT, A HUSBAND AND FATHER OF
- 3 THREE, WHO HAS SUFFERED FROM CHRONIC PAIN FOR YEARS WHOSE
- 4 DOCTORS WERE UNABLE TO PROVIDE HIM WITH A DIAGNOSIS OR ANY
- 5 TYPE OF SURGICAL RELIEF AND HAVE PUSHED NORCO AND VICODIN TO
- 6 THE POINT OF LIVER COMPLICATIONS, ULTIMATELY BECOMING RELIANT
- 7 ON DRUGS THAT WERE DESTROYING HIS ORGANS WHILE PROVIDING
- 8 INCREASINGLY LIMITED PAIN RELIEF WITH HIGHER AND HIGHER
- 9 DOSAGE. HE HAS SWITCHED TO MEDICAL CANNABIS AND HAS BEEN ABLE
- 10 TO CONTROL HIS PAIN IN A HEALTHIER MANNER THAT HASALLOWED FOR
- 11 HIS LIVER TO RECOVER. A GRANDMOTHER WHO SUFFERS FIBROMYALGIA
- 12 FOUND HERSELF UNABLE TO SLEEP DUE TO CHRONIC INSOMNIA WITH THE
- 13 PAIN, AND SHE WAS THE PRIMARY CAREGIVER OF HER BLIND HUSBAND.
- 14 THIS TOO, MEDICAL CANNABIS, HAS HELPED THEM. THERE'S ANOTHER
- 15 PATIENT AS A COLLEGE STUDENT WHO SUFFERS FROM SEIZURES, AND
- 16 HE'S BEEN ABLE TO CALM THEM THROUGH THE USE OF HIGH C.B.D.
- 17 MEDICAL CANNABIS. THERE ARE COUNTLESS OTHERS OUT THERE WHO
- 18 NEED YOUR HELP, AND THIS BAN IN NO WAY HELPS THEIR HEALTH,
- 19 SAFETY OR WELFARE. THESE AREN'T PEOPLE WHO HAVE CONNECTION TO
- 20 THE BLACK MARKET TO BE ABLE TO FIND MEDICINE THEY NEED. NOW
- 21 THAT THE BAN HAS PREVENTED THEM FROM GETTING IT. NOR IS IT
- 22 POSSIBLE FOR THEM TO DRIVE SEVERAL HOURS TO THE AREAS THAT
- 23 THEY HAVE REGULATED MEDICAL CANNABIS. THESE ARE HONEST, GOOD
- 24 PEOPLE WHO ARE SEEKING HELP, UNTIL RECENTLY WERE ABLE TO FIND
- 25 IT WITH THE PROTECTION OF LAWS THAT GOVERNED MEDICAL CANNABIS



- 1 FOR NEARLY 20 YEARS NOW. THIS YEAR TO DATE, WE FOUND PATIENTS
- 2 LIKE MANY OTHERS HAVE ON A ROLLER COASTER RIDE FROM
- 3 REGULATIONS AS YOU GUYS ARE FIGURING THEM OUT. FROM THE FIRST
- 4 45 DAY BAN TO IT LAPSING AND SEVERAL WEEKS LATER THE CURRENT
- 5 45-DAY BAN THAT WE FIND OURSELVES HERE TALKING ABOUT. WE
- 6 ENCOURAGE THE REGULATIONS, BUT THERE NEEDS TO BE A BETTER TO
- 7 GO ABOUT IT THAN JUST A BAN. THE ONLY THING THAT HAS MADE
- 8 CITIZENS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY UNSAFE AND UNHEALTHY IS THE
- 9 LACK OF REGULATION NEEDED FOR MEDICAL CANNABIS. IF THIS BAN
- 10 CONTINUES, IT WILL ENCOURAGE THE BLACK MARKET TO GROW AND FOR
- 11 PEOPLE TO LIVE IN THE SHADOWS SEEKING MEDICINE, AND THAT COULD
- 12 PROVE DANGEROUS OTHERWISE. LASTLY I WANT TO SAY COLORADO HAS
- 13 CURRENTLY PUT A TAX ON THEIR CANNABIS PROGRAM TO HELP THE
- 14 HOMELESS PEOPLE. SOMETHING WE COULD LOOK INTO AS WELL HERE.

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16 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

- 18 KATHLEEN VILLAREAL: GOOD MORNING. MY NAME IS KATHLEEN
- 19 VILLAREAL. I AM A CONSULTANT AND CANNABIS ADVOCATE. I AM HERE
- 20 TO EXPRESS MY ADVOCACY TO REGULATE THE CANNABIS INDUSTRY AND
- 21 MY OPPOSITION TO BAN IT AS OUTLINED IN ORDINANCE 2016-002 TO
- 22 YOU. THE BAN WILL FORCE A LARGE POPULATION OF MEDICAL CANNABIS
- 23 PATIENTS IN THE UNINCORPORATED PARTS OF LOS ANGELES TO TURN TO
- 24 THE BLACK MARKET FOR MEDICATION, MANY OF WHO NEED IT SOMETIMES
- 25 DAILY TO TREAT THEIR ILLNESSES. IT HAS BEEN USED AS A



- 1 SUBSTITUTE, AS YOU HEARD IN PREVIOUS TESTIMONIES, AS A
- 2 SUBSTITUTE TO OTHER PAINFUL MEDICATIONS, WHICH MANY TIMES LEAD
- 3 TO ADDITIONAL ILLNESSES AND ORGAN FAILURE. IT HAS BEEN
- 4 SCIENTIFICALLY PROVEN TO HELP REDUCE CANCER CELLS IN THE BODY
- 5 AND IT HAS TREATED INSOMNIA AND P.T.S.D., EATING DISORDERS,
- 6 AND A HOST OF SO MANY MORE ILLNESSES. THE ORDINANCE WILL TAKE
- 7 AWAY SAFE ACCESS TO MEDICATION THESE PATIENTS NEED TO LIVE
- 8 MANY WHO DO NOT HAVE TRANSPORTATION TO PURCHASE THEIR CANNABIS
- 9 AT OTHER LOCATIONS. AND THEY RELY ON THEIR LOCAL CLINICS, WHOM
- 10 THEY HAVE GROWN TO TRUST AND RELY ON. NOT ONLY DOES THIS
- 11 ORDINANCE TAKE AWAY SAFE ACCESS TO THE MEDICATION, BUT IT ALSO
- 12 ELIMINATES JOBS, COMMERCE, AND SOMETIMES FREEDOM AS PEOPLE ARE
- 13 INCARCERATED, BUSINESSES ARE DESTROYED. THIS ORDINANCE WILL
- 14 AFFECT SO MANY LIVES IN SUCH NEGATIVE WAYS. CALIFORNIA IS
- 15 TAKING STEPS TOWARDS REGULATING MOVING FORWARD WITH THE
- 16 REGULATION OF THE CANNABIS INDUSTRY. AT THIS POINT BANNING THE
- 17 INDUSTRY WOULD BE TAKING STEPS BACKWARDS. IN ADDITION, IT
- 18 SEEMS THAT THE MAJORITY OF THE CORRESPONDENCES IN REGARDS TO
- 19 THE ORDINANCE OUTLINES A 10-MONTH AND 10-DAY BAN. HOWEVER, THE
- 20 ORDINANCE ITSELF IN SECTION 2 STATES THAT THERE WOULD BE A 10-
- 21 MONTH AND 15-DAY WITH AN OPTION TO EXTEND AN ADDITIONAL YEAR.
- 22 IN REALITY, THIS ORDINANCE PRESENTS A BAN FOR NEARLY TWO YEARS
- 23 WHILE MANY CITIES IN CALIFORNIA WILL HAVE ALREADY EFFECTIVELY
- 24 AND SUCCESSFULLY REGULATED THE CANNABIS INDUSTRY. WHY WASTE
- 25 TWO YEARS OF TAXPAYER MONEY IN LOCAL ENFORCEMENT EFFORTS TO



1 ENSURE THESE COLLECTIVES REMAIN CLOSED? THEY HAVE NOT BEEN

2 FULLY PERMITTED FOR MANY YEARS YET CONTINUALLY OPENED UP.

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- 4 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR YOUR
- 5 COMMENTS. ARNOLD SACHS.

- 7 ARNOLD SACHS: YES, THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING. ARNOLD SACHS. AND
- 8 THIS IS SOMEWHAT -- THIS IS MORE LIKE TEAM EX-LAX MOVING THE
- 9 MOTION HERE. A COMPREHENSIVE ZONING STUDY? HOW COMPREHENSIVE
- 10 DO YOU HAVE TO GET INTO THIS? WOULD IT BE LIKE THE
- 11 COMPREHENSIVE PARK PROPOSITION YOU JUST CAME UP WITH? SOMEBODY
- 12 JUST MENTIONED THE MAGIC WORD, COLORADO AND THE DOLLARS.
- 13 THAT'S WHAT THIS IS ABOUT. THIS IS ABOUT TRYING TO MAKE SURE
- 14 THAT YOU GET AS MUCH MONEY FLOWING TO THE SELECT FEW PEOPLE
- 15 THAT OWN PROPERTY IN L.A. AS YOU CAN POSSIBLY LOOK AT, BECAUSE
- 16 YOU'RE NOT TURNING YOUR HEADS ON ANY MONEY THAT'S GOING TO
- 17 FLOW OUT OF THIS BUSINESS. YOU SAID SOMETHING ABOUT LISTENING
- 18 TO THE PUBLIC. YOU HAD A COUPLE WEEKS AGO, MAYBE A MONTH AGO
- 19 AN ORDINANCE ABOUT PRESCRIPTION DRUGS. WELL, THIS IS A
- 20 PRESCRIPTION DRUG. YOU WANTED TO MAKE PRESCRIPTION DRUGS MORE
- 21 AFFORDABLE FOR PEOPLE SO THEY WOULD BE ABLE TO PURCHASE THEM.
- 22 THIS IS A PRESCRIPTION DRUG THAT YOU'RE BANNING. SO ON WHICH
- 23 FOOT ARE YOU STANDING ON? PRESCRIPTION DRUGS BEING AFFORDABLE
- 24 OR BANNING PRESCRIPTION DRUGS? THIS IS THE COUNTY RIDING THAT
- 25 TRAIN ON ONE RAIL, AND YOU JUST HAVE TO LISTEN AND HOPE YOU



- 1 CAN PICK THE RIGHT TRACK. IT'S UNFORTUNATE, BUT THIS IS WHAT
- 2 WE LISTEN TO ON A DAILY BASIS. I THINK I'LL GO LOOK TO SEE IF
- 3 I CAN FIND A MEDICAL MARIJUANA CLINIC.

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5 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: NEXT SPEAKER.

- 7 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL: GOOD MORNING, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.
- 8 FIRST OF ALL, MARIJUANA IS NOT A PRESCRIBED MEDICINE IN THE
- 9 STATE OF CALIFORNIA. IT COME UNDER SCHEDULE 1 WHICH IS ILLEGAL
- 10 TO PRESCRIBE. SO I THINK FIRST OF ALL YOU WILL HAVE TO HAVE
- 11 FEDERAL LAW AND STATE LAW KIND OF MATCHING, BECAUSE
- 12 TECHNICALLY MARIJUANA IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA IS SCHEDULE
- 13 1. IT CANNOT BE PRESCRIBED. BUT I WILL EMPHASIZE THAT MORE
- 14 RESEARCH HAS REALLY BEEN NEEDED. I THINK THE MARIJUANA THAT IS
- 15 BEING CULTIVATED TODAY IS NOT THE SAME MARIJUANA THAT WAS
- 16 CULTIVATED MANY YEARS AGO. THERE HAS BEEN A LOT OF RESEARCH
- 17 PROVING THAT. AND ACTUALLY ONE PHYSICIAN WHO HAS DONE A LOT OF
- 18 STUDY ON THAT FOR MANY, MANY YEARS IS DR. DON ABRAMS, WHO HAS
- 19 DONE RESEARCH AS WELL AS THE N.I.H. WHO HAS DONE SOME VERY
- 20 SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH ON IT. SO I WILL HIGHLY EMPHASIZE THAT YOU
- 21 PROVIDE YOURSELF WITH INFORMATION AND FINDING, BECAUSE I THINK
- 22 A LOT OF PEOPLE WHO ARE GROWING MARIJUANA TODAY ARE NOT VERY
- 23 KNOWLEDGEABLE ABOUT THE OUALITY OF THE MARIJUANA THEY ARE
- 24 SELLING AND THE POTENTIAL THE SIDE EFFECTS OF IT. SO I
- 25 DEFINITELY FEEL THAT IT SHOULD BE RESEARCHED, IT SHOULD BE



- 1 CERTIFIED, AND IT SHOULD BE SOME LAW CONTROLLING THE
- 2 DISTRIBUTION. A LOT OF PEOPLE ARE MAKING MONEY ON THAT AND ARE
- 3 USING TO MISGUIDE THE PATIENTS ALSO. I WROTE A PIECE ON PAIN
- 4 YOU MIGHT ENJOY. THANK YOU.

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- 6 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR KUEHL WANTS TO BE RECOGNIZED ON
- 7 THIS ITEM.

- 9 SUP. SHEILA KUEHL: THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. THIS IS A BIT OF A
- 10 THREAD-THE- NEEDLE ISSUE FOR ME TODAY, BECAUSE THE BAN IS IN
- 11 PLACE, AND THE BAN ABOUT WHICH WE'RE TALKING IS NOT THE BAN ON
- 12 DISPENSARIES, WHICH WOULD STAY IN PLACE, BUT A BAN ON
- 13 CULTIVATION, ET CETERA, WHICH IF IT WAS NOT CONTINUED TODAY,
- 14 WOULD MEAN THERE WOULD BE NO REGULATION AT ALL IN TERMS OF
- 15 GROWING AND THE OTHER THINGS COVERED BY THE BAN. SO BECAUSE MY
- 16 COLLEAGUE IS IN SACRAMENTO ADVOCATING FOR SOMETHING ABOUT
- 17 WHICH I CARE VERY MUCH IN TERMS OF HOMELESS FUNDING, I DECIDED
- 18 THAT I WOULD VOTE TODAY TO CONTINUE THIS FOR ONE MONTH; THAT
- 19 IS, TO ALLOW THE BAN TO STAY IN PLACE FOR A MONTH. AND THERE'S
- 20 SEVERAL REASONS FOR THAT. ONE IS: I DON'T THINK THAT THIS
- 21 BOARD, AS CONSTITUTED, IS GOING TO AGREE TO REMOVE A BAN. AND
- 22 I DON'T THINK THAT IT'S GOING TO ADOPT REGULATIONS IN THE NEAR
- 23 FUTURE. HOWEVER, I DO KNOW THE ITEMS ON THE BALLOT IN
- 24 NOVEMBER, IN MY OPINION, HAVE A PRETTY GOOD CHANCE OF PASSING.
- 25 IF THEY DO PASS, WE MUST REGULATE AND NOT BAN. AND I WOULD



- 1 HOPE THAT OUR DEPARTMENTS ARE AT LEAST THINKING -- AND I AM
- 2 ASSURED THAT SOME OF THEM ARE -- ABOUT HOW WE WOULD APPROACH
- 3 REGULATION. THAT ISSUE MAY BE CONSIDERED BY A NEWLY
- 4 CONSTITUTED BOARD, WHICH IS ALSO GOING TO BE IN OFFICE AFTER
- 5 THE NOVEMBER ELECTION. AND SO I THINK FOR NOW, AND WE'LL TALK
- 6 ABOUT THIS AGAIN IN A MONTH, THAT IT MAKES MORE SENSE TO
- 7 CONTINUE THE BAN FOR A MONTH THAN TO HAVE NO REGULATION AT
- 8 ALL. PART OF THE THREAD-THE-NEEDLE PART FOR ME HAS TO DO WITH
- 9 HOW MARIJUANA IS CULTIVATED, BECAUSE AS YOU KNOW I CARE A LOT
- 10 ABOUT HOW GRAPES ARE CULTIVATED, WHETHER WE'RE USING TOO MUCH
- 11 WATER, TOO MUCH THIS AND THAT. AND I DON'T WANT TO REGULATE
- 12 GRAPES MORE THAN I REGULATE OTHER CROPS, INCLUDING MARIJUANA.
- 13 SO THAT KIND OF REGULATION, IN TERMS OF ENVIRONMENTAL EFFECTS,
- 14 HAS TO BE PART OF IT, AS WELL. I THINK FOR THE 30 OR 31 DAYS
- 15 THAT IT'S MORE IN OUR INTEREST TO CONTINUE THE BAN, TO
- 16 CONTINUE THE DISCUSSION. BUT FOR ME, I WANT TO LOOK FORWARD
- 17 PAST NOVEMBER TO SEE EXACTLY WHAT GOOD REGULATION, WHICH ALL
- 18 OF OUR OR MOST OF OUR WITNESSES HAVE INDICATED THEY WOULD
- 19 WELCOME, AS WELL, WOULD BE FAIRER AND MAYBE EVEN LESS OF A
- 20 PASTICHE ACROSS OUR 88 CITIES, AS WELL. SO THAT'S MY GOAL
- 21 TODAY.

- 23 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: I JUST WANT TO MAKE A COMMENT. I
- 24 APPRECIATE THE SPEAKERS THAT CAME OUT TODAY. I KNOW THIS IS A
- 25 VERY HARD ISSUE FOR MYSELF, BECAUSE IN THE PAST, I'VE



- 1 SUPPORTED THE USE OF MEDICINAL MARIJUANA USE FOR EXACTLY SOME
- 2 OF THE REASONS WHY PEOPLE CAME TO SPEAK OUT TO US ABOUT THIS.
- 3 BUT I DO KNOW THAT WE NEED TO HAVE SAFETY AND SECURITY IN OUR
- 4 NEIGHBORHOODS. AND THAT'S SOMETHING THAT HAS COME TO MY
- 5 ATTENTION IN EAST LOS ANGELES AND THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS. SO
- 6 LOOKING AT THIS FOR A MONTH, I THINK, HELPS US TO THINK
- 7 THOUGHTFULLY HOW WE CAN MOVE FORWARD, BECAUSE I DO BELIEVE
- 8 THERE WILL BE CHANGES COME IN THE FALL IN NOVEMBER. SO I AGREE
- 9 WE HAVE A LOT OF THINGS THAT WILL BE COMING BEFORE THE BOARD
- 10 IN THE NEXT COUPLE OF MONTHS. SO PLEASE UNDERSTAND WHERE WE
- 11 ARE, SOME OF US ARE TRYING TO COME FROM. SO WITH THAT, AT THIS
- 12 TIME, MEMBERS, I'D ASK THAT SUPERVISOR KUEHL MOVE THIS ITEM TO
- 13 CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND THAT WE CONTINUE THIS ITEM TO
- 14 JUNE 28TH.

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- 16 COUNSEL: MADAME CHAIR, YOU WOUDN'T ACTUALLY CONTINUE THE ITEM.
- 17 WHAT YOU'D HAVE TO DO IS APPROVE A ONE-MONTH EXTENSION OF THE
- 18 BAN. AND THEN AT THAT NEXT, WHICH I THINK IS JUNE 28TH, THEN
- 19 YOU COULD TAKE UP A DISCUSSION AS TO WHETHER OR NOT YOU WANTED
- 20 TO CONTINUE THE BAN AGAIN. AFTER THAT POINT, YOU WILL WANT TO
- 21 CONTINUE THIS ITEM. YOU'D HAVE TO APPROVE AN EXTENSION UNTIL
- 22 JUNE 28TH.

- 24 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: SO, WE'LL, SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND
- 25 KNABE, MOVE TO EXTEND THIS ITEM FOR JUNE 28TH OF 2016? RIGHT,



- 1 YES, EXTEND THE BAN. SO MOVED. SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION.
- 2 OKAY. AND AT WHICH TIME, WE WILL COME BACK AND FURTHER THIS,
- 3 CONTINUE THIS DEBATE. THANK YOU.

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- 5 LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: MADAME CHAIR, YOU HAVE PUBLIC
- 6 HEARING ITEM NO. 4. THIS IS THE HEARING ON THE PROPOSED
- 7 CONTINUANCE OF FISCAL YEAR 2015/16 LEVYING OF THE ANNUAL
- 8 ASSESSMENTS IN COUNTY LIGHTING, DISTRICT LANDSCAPING LIGHTING
- 9 ACT 1 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016/17 IN ALL ZONES IDENTIFIED IN THE
- 10 ENGINEERS REPORT AT THE SAME RATE. THERE IS A DEPARTMENTAL
- 11 STATEMENT AND NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED.

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13 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: OKAY. WE'LL HEAR FROM THE DEPARTMENT.

- 15 JAMES CHON: MY NAME IS JAMES CHON AND I AM THE HEAD OF STREET
- 16 LIGHTING SECTION FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. I AM
- 17 FAMILIAR WITH THESE PROCEEDINGS FOR THE LEVY AND COLLECTION OF
- 18 THE ANNUAL STREET LIGHTING ASSESSMENTS WITHIN COUNTY LIGHTING
- 19 DISTRICT L.L.A.-1 FOR ALL ZONES FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016-17. AT
- 20 THE SAME RATES ARE BEING LEVIED DURING THE CURRENT YEAR. IN MY
- 21 OPINION, ALL THE REMAINING TERRITORIES WITHIN L.L.A.-1 WILL
- 22 CONTINUE TO BE BENEFITED BY THE SERVICES PROVIDED, AND THE
- 23 ASSESSMENTS WITHIN THE ZONES CONTINUE TO BE SPREAD IN
- 24 PROPORTION TO THE BENEFITS PROVIDED TO THE INVOLVED
- 25 PROPERTIES. IN MY OPINION, IT IS JUST AND EQUITABLE AND IN THE



- 1 PUBLIC INTEREST THAT THE ADDITIONAL COSTS FOR INSTALLATION AND
- 2 MAINTENANCE OF ADDITIONAL LIGHTS BE MADE A CHARGE ON THE
- 3 EXISTING DISTRICTS AS A WHOLE IN FISCAL YEAR 2016-2017. WE
- 4 HAVE RECEIVED NO WRITTEN PROTESTS TO THE PROPOSED LEVY OF THE
- 5 ANNUAL ASSESSMENTS FOR THE COUNTY LIGHTING DISTRICT L.L.A.-1.

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- 7 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: WE DO HAVE A PUBLIC SPEAKER. ARNOLD SACHS
- 8 ON THIS ITEM. NO. 4.

- 10 ARNOLD SACHS: YES, GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS. I WAS READING
- 11 ITEM NO. 1 AND 4, THEY ARE BOTH THE COUNTY LIGHTING DISTRICT
- 12 LANDSCAPING LIGHTING ACT 1 L.L.1 -- L.L.A.1. BUT SO IN ITEM
- 13 NO. 1, YOUR ASSESSMENT IS \$20 FOR EACH PROPERTY. WOULD THAT
- 14 MEAN THAT SINCE IT'S THE SAME ACT, THE SAME LIGHTING DISTRICT,
- 15 WILL THAT MEAN THAT THE ASSESSMENT FOR THESE PROPERTIES ARE
- 16 \$20? WOULD YOU BE ABLE TO CLARIFY THAT? I'M SURE I WON'T GET
- 17 AN ANSWER ON THAT. BUT IT WOULD BE NICE TO KNOW THAT -- OR IS
- 18 IT A PROPORTION? I MEAN, I HEARD A GENTLEMAN MENTION THAT
- 19 THEIR ASSESSMENT IS BASED ON A PROPORTION OF THE BENEFITS. SO,
- 20 IS \$20 THE LOWEST TIER OF THE BENEFITS THAT ANYBODY WOULD
- 21 RECEIVE AND IT GOES UP? IS IT LIKE A TIERED LIGHTING? I MEAN,
- 22 HAVE WE HEARD THE SAME KIND OF NONSENSE WHEN YOU TALKED ABOUT
- 23 THE WATER DISTRICTS THAT YOU REPRESENT? AND SPEAKING OF THAT,
- 24 ARE YOU BOARD MEMBERS OF THESE LIGHTING DISTRICTS, IS THIS
- 25 ANOTHER BOARD THAT YOU SIT ON THE LIGHTING DISTRICT? NO. THANK



- 1 YOU, SIR. I APPRECIATE THAT ANSWER. I GOT SOMETHING. I SHOULD
- 2 GO HOME AND BE HAPPY. I GOT ANOTHER SOMETHING. I'M 2 FOR 2
- 3 HERE. DON KNABE SPEAKS UP. ANYWAY, MY REAL QUESTION IS, IS
- 4 THIS INCREASE IN ITEM NO. 1 WAS \$19. IS THAT THE BASE LIGHTING
- 5 DISTRICT L.L.A. IS \$20 AND THEN THE ASSESSMENTS INCREASE, I
- 6 GUESS, PROPORTIONALLY ON THE BENEFITS TO THE HOUSES, AND IT
- 7 COULD GO UP TO WHAT WOULD BE THE HIGHEST RATE? KIND OF LIKE
- 8 WHAT YOU DO WITH SALARIES WHEN YOU REFIGURE THE SALARIES,
- 9 SOMETHING LIKE THAT.

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- 11 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: OKAY, MEMBERS, THAT CONCLUDES PUBLIC
- 12 SPEAKERS ON THIS ITEM.

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- 14 LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: MADAME CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD,
- 15 AT THIS TIME IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC
- 16 HEARING AND TO MOVE THIS ITEM.

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- 18 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THE PUBLIC HEARING IS CLOSED. IT'S BEEN
- 19 MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION. SUCH
- 20 WILL BE THE ORDER.

- 22 LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: ON ITEM NO. 5, THIS ITEM WAS HELD
- 23 WITH ITEM 1-D AND 1-H. THIS IS A HEARING ON APPROVAL OF THE
- 24 ACTION PLAN FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016/17 TO ENABLE THE LOS ANGELES
- 25 URBAN COUNTY TO RECEIVE AND ADMINISTER A TOTAL OF \$35,885,568



- 1 IN 42ND PROGRAM YEAR COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT FUNDS.
- 2 THERE IS NO DEPARTMENTAL STATEMENT AND NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS
- 3 RECEIVED.

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- 5 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: VERY GOOD. THEN WE'LL GO STRAIGHT TO THE
- 6 SPEAKERS. WE HAVE RUTH SARNOFF AND ARNOLD SACHS.

- 8 RUTH SARNOFF: GOOD MORNING. I WAS HOPING THERE WOULD BE SOME
- 9 EXPLANATION OF THIS. I'VE BEEN NOTICING THAT THERE ARE SO MANY
- 10 PROJECTS AND SO MUCH MONEY BEING FUNDED FOR THINGS THAT DO NOT
- 11 -- ARE NOT BEING COVERED BY THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL
- 12 QUALITY ACT, AND IT'S VERY DISTURBING TO ME. AND I JUST WAS
- 13 TRYING TO FIGURE OUT HOW TO INPUT SOME CONCERNS THAT MAY BE A
- 14 BIT GENERAL FOR THIS PARTICULAR PART OF THE AGENDA. BUT I AM
- 15 CONCERNED THAT SO MUCH OF THE PLANNING AT THE PLANNING STAGE,
- 16 THERE IS SO LITTLE CONSIDERATION FOR THE QUALITY OF SOIL, AIR,
- 17 AND WHERE WE ARE. I KNOW I WENT ON THE INTERNET LAST NIGHT AND
- 18 I WAS LOOKING TO SEE -- AND WE HAVE LIKE 18 OR MAYBE IT WAS
- 19 16, 16 OR 18 SUPERFUND SITES RIGHT IN L.A. COUNTY, SOME OF
- 20 WHICH ARE CLOSE TO PLACES WHERE WE ARE ARE CITING PROPERTY.
- 21 AND IT'S VERY DISTURBING TO ME. I WONDER IF PORTER RANCH WOULD
- 22 PASS MUSTER OR ANYTHING ELSE. AND I BELIEVE THERE ARE SOME
- 23 OTHER PROJECTS IN THAT AREA. THERE ARE 110, I BELIEVE, I READ,
- 24 OIL DERRICKS THAT ARE STILL OPERATIONAL IN THAT AREA. AND WE
- 25 HAVE ISSUES OF CAPPED WELLS AND THE QUALITY OF THEM. AND I



- 1 DON'T THINK THE COUNTY OR THE CITY IS TAKING TOTAL
- 2 RESPONSIBILITY ON THIS. AND I WISH THERE WAS MORE
- 3 THOUGHTFULNESS ON THIS. THANK YOU.

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5 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: NEXT SPEAKER?

- 7 ARNOLD SACHS: YES, THANK YOU, GOOD MORNING. ARNOLD SACHS. I'VE
- 8 BEEN HOLDING ON TO THIS. I GOT THIS AT A HOMELESS L.A.H.S.A.,
- 9 L.A. COUNTY HOUSING PROGRAMS MAP 2011. IT'S FASCINATING. A
- 10 LITTLE BIT OF INFORMATION I FINALLY LOOKED AT AFTER YOUR
- 11 HOMELESS INITIATIVE. I'M TRYING TO FIGURE OUT, THIS IS YOUR
- 12 HOMELESS INITIATIVES RECOMMENDATIONS FROM FEBRUARY 9TH, AND
- 13 THIS IS THE YOUR HOUSING -- THE ANNUAL PLAN OF THE HOUSING
- 14 AUTHORITY FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES FOR MARCH 22ND, HOW
- 15 YOU MANAGED TO MISS ALL THIS INFORMATION IN BOTH OF THESE
- 16 REPORTS, BECAUSE YOU DID MENTION THAT WITH MORE INFORMATION,
- 17 YOU WILL BE ABLE TO ACT. BUT WHAT WAS FASCINATING IN THIS
- 18 LITTLE BOOKLET THAT WAS PUT OUT BY THE COUNTY IS THIS ITEM
- 19 STATES THAT THE HOMELESS INITIATIVE PROGRAM WAS ACTUALLY
- 20 INITIATED IN 2006. THE C.D.C. WAS FORMED IN 1982 BY THE LOS
- 21 ANGELES COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IN ORDER TO CONSOLIDATE
- 22 THREE ENTITIES, THE HOUSING AUTHORITY, THE COMMUNITY
- 23 DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT, AND THE REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY. IMAGINE
- 24 THAT. IT MENTIONS IN HERE FURTHER THAT, AGAIN, THE HOMELESS
- 25 INITIATIVE PROGRAM WAS ESTABLISHED IN 2006, AND YOU DID



- 1 MENTION EARLIER ABOUT HOW YOU ACT. SO WHEN YOU HEAR
- 2 INFORMATION, I'M WONDERING WHAT YOU WERE DOING AS THE BOARD
- 3 FROM 2006 UNTIL 2016. MAYBE HOMELESSNESS WASN'T A PROBLEM.
- 4 ALTHOUGH I HAVE ARTICLES THAT GO BACK TO 2011 STATING THERE
- 5 WAS 48,000 PEOPLE HOMELESS IN L.A. COUNTY AT THE TIME. SO YOUR
- 6 ABILITY TO ACT AND YOUR ABILITY AS TEAM EX-LAX TO SPREAD THIS
- 7 CRAP, PROBABLY TWO DIFFERENT STORIES. I THINK YOU SHOULD FOCUS
- 8 MORE ON THE TRUTH AND LESS ON EX-LAX.

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- 10 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: YES. THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE WILL NOW MOVE TO
- 11 CLOSE.

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- 13 LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: YES, MADAME CHAIR, MEMBERS OF THE
- 14 BOARD, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE AT THIS TIME TO CLOSE THE
- 15 PUBLIC HEARING AND APPROVE THE ITEMS BEFORE YOU.

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- 17 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: OKAY, SUPERVISOR KNABE MOVES TO CLOSE THE
- 18 HEARING, AND IT IS MOVED BY KNABE, SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION.
- 19 SUCH WILL BE THE ORDER.

- 21 LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: ON ITEM NO. 6, THIS IS A HEARING ON
- 22 THE ANNUAL SOLID WASTE GENERATION SERVICE CHARGE REPORT FOR
- 23 FISCAL YEAR 2016/17 TO PROVIDE FOR THE CONTINUED COLLECTION OF
- 24 THE SOLID WASTE GENERATION SERVICE CHARGE AT THE CURRENT RATE.



- 1 THERE IS NO DEPARTMENTAL STATEMENT AND NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS
- 2 RECEIVED. AND THERE IS A DEPARTMENTAL STATEMENT.

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4 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: GO AHEAD, PLEASE, THEN.

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- 6 FRANK CHEN: MY NAME IS FRANK CHEN. I'M A CIVIL ENGINEER WITH
- 7 THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. I AM FAMILIAR WITH THESE
- 8 PROCEEDINGS FOR THE CONTINUED COLLECTION OF THE SOLID WASTE
- 9 GENERATION SERVICE CHARGE AT ITS CURRENT LEVEL ON THE TAX ROLL
- 10 FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016/2017. THE ANNUAL REPORT ON THE SOLID
- 11 WASTE GENERATION SERVICE CHARGE WAS PREPARED IN MY OFFICE
- 12 UNDER MY DIRECTION. IN MY OPINION, IT IS NECESSARY TO RETAIN
- 13 THE SERVICE CHARGE AT ITS CURRENT LEVEL. AND IT IS IN THE
- 14 PUBLIC'S INTEREST TO CONTINUE TO COLLECT THE SERVICE CHARGE ON
- 15 THE TAX ROLL, BECAUSE IT PROVIDES FOR THE MOST ORDERLY
- 16 COLLECTION OF SUCH CHARGE FROM THE AFFECTED PROPERTY OWNERS.
- 17 IN MY OPINION, THE SERVICE CHARGE CONTINUES TO BE FAIRLY
- 18 IMPOSED. WE HAVE NOT RECEIVED ANY PROTESTS ON THE REPORT.
- 19 THANK YOU.

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- 21 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. WITH THAT, WE'LL GO
- 22 TO PUBLIC COMMENT. WE HAVE ERIC PREVEN ON THIS ITEM. PASS.
- 23 OKAY, WITH THAT, THEN, EXECUTIVE OFFICE?



- 1 LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: MADAME CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE
- 2 BOARD, A DETERMINATION HAS BEEN MADE THAT NO MAJORITY PROTESTS
- 3 EXIST AGAINST THE ANNUAL SOLID WASTE GENERATION SERVICE CHARGE
- 4 REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016/17. AND AS A RESULT, IT WOULD BE
- 5 APPROPRIATE FOR THE BOARD TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND
- 6 APPROVE THE REPORT FOR THE CONTINUED COLLECTION OF THE SOLID
- 7 WASTE GENERATION SERVICE CHARGE AT THE CURRENT RATE ON THE
- 8 FISCAL YEAR 2016/17 TAX ROLL. THIS ITEM IS BEFORE YOU.

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- 10 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH MOVES TO CLOSE
- 11 PUBLIC HEARING AND MOVES THE ITEM. SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION,
- 12 SUCH WILL BE THE ORDER.

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- 14 LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: ON ITEM NO. 7, THIS IS A HEARING ON
- 15 AMENDMENTS TO COUNTY CODE TITLE 7, BUSINESS LICENSES, TO
- 16 ESTABLISH BASE AMBULANCE RATES FOR EMERGENCY AND NON-EMERGENCY
- 17 TRANSPORTS, MAKE CHANGES TO ALL RATES, INCLUDING INCREASES,
- 18 DECREASES AND DELETION OF SELECT RATES AND CHANGE HOW RATES
- 19 ARE MODIFIED ON AND ANNUAL BASIS. THERE IS NO DEPARTMENTAL
- 20 STATEMENT AND NO CORRESPONDENCE WAS RECEIVED.

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- 22 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: WE HAVE TWO SPEAKERS ON THIS ITEM, MICHAEL
- 23 HUNT AND HERMAN HERMAN.



- 1 HERMAN HERMAN: GOOD AFTERNOON, COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.
- 2 I'D LIKE TO DRAW ATTENTION TO THIS ITEM, WHICH IS ITEM 7,
- 3 REGARDING THE EMERGENCY, NON-EMERGENCY TRANSPORTATION. IT'S
- 4 APPARENT THAT HEALTHCARE SERVICES FOR THOSE WHO ARE ELDERLY
- 5 AND POOR NEED THESE TYPE OF SERVICES, MORE SO OUR VETERANS AND
- 6 OUR CHILDREN THAT ARE DISABLED. WITHOUT HINDERING THEIR
- 7 POCKET, I FIND IT HARMFUL THAT ADDITIONAL CHARGES OR EXTRA
- 8 ADDED HIDDEN COSTS WILL AFFECT, IMPACT THEIR POCKETBOOK, SO TO
- 9 SPEAK. MS. SOLIS, ARE YOU OKAY? YES, SO, AGAIN, WHEN WE'RE
- 10 LEARNING TO CHANGE THE RATES, WE HAVE TO THINK OF THE ECONOMY
- 11 TODAY. WE'VE ALL HEARD THAT THE ECONOMY IS NOT AS STABLE. IT
- 12 NEEDS A TRUE CHECK AND BALANCE CALLED AN AUDIT AND WHEN THE
- 13 NEW SUPERVISORS STEP IN, I'M SURE THEY'RE GOING TO HAVE TO
- 14 TWEAK IT AND MAKE SOME SUBSTANTIAL CHANGES TO THAT IN ORDER
- 15 FOR YOUR CONSTITUENTS THAT LIVE IN THE COUNTY TO OVERCOME
- 16 THESE RATES. I WANT TO THANK THE FIRE DEPARTMENT, THOSE IN LAW
- 17 ENFORCEMENT WHO HELP US WITH THESE SERVICES WHEN WE'RE IN
- 18 NEED. SOMETIMES THERE ARE PATIENTS MORE SO THE HOMELESS WHO
- 19 DON'T HAVE THE MONEY TO PAY FOR THIS TRANSPORTATION, AND I
- 20 WOULD HATE TO SEE THIS ADDED TO THEIR SO-CALLED RETIREMENT.
- 21 AND WHEN I SAY RETIREMENT, YOU SAY, WELL, WHAT ARE YOU TALKING
- 22 ABOUT? I'M TALKING ABOUT THOSE PEOPLE WHO LIVE UNCONDITIONALLY
- 23 ON THEIR OWN IN THE STREETS, NOT BY FORCE BUT BY DESIGN OF OUR
- 24 LOCAL GOVERNMENT. AND YOU AS THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS



- 1 WILL DO AN EXCELLENT JOB TO SEE THAT THE IMPROVEMENT OF THE
- 2 QUALITY OF LIFE ON THIS ISSUE WILL BE REGULATED. THANK YOU.

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4 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: NEXT SPEAKER.

- 6 MICHAEL HUNT: FOR THE RECORD, I WANT TO TELL YOU FOR THE LAST
- 7 TWO YEARS I HAVE ACTUALLY BEEN USING THESE SERVICES. I FOUND
- 8 THAT THESE SERVICES ARE VERY ADEQUATE AND NOT THAT THE PATIENT
- 9 GO DOWN BUT IT SHOULD BE BALANCED OUT TO EQUAL PAY FOR EQUAL
- 10 SERVICE. A LOT OF THESE AMBULANCE AND AMBULANCE SERVICES I HAD
- 11 A CHANCE TO RIDE IN ABOUT SIX TIMES OVER THE NEXT TWO YEARS IN
- 12 AND OUT OF THE HOSPITAL. SO I CAN SPEAK ON IT FROM MOST OF
- 13 THEM ARE VERY PROFESSIONAL. I ALWAYS SAY THAT IF YOU TREAT AND
- 14 GIVE THE PEOPLE WITH RESPECT TO TAKE CARE OF YOU, IF YOU HAVE
- 15 THEIR WAGES ABOVE THE COST OF LIVING, THAT THEY WILL ALWAYS
- 16 TREAT YOU RIGHT. ON THIS NOTE, I AM REALLY FOR RAISING THE
- 17 RATE AND REALLY BALANCING OUT THE BUDGET. THAT'S ONE OF OUR
- 18 CONCERNS FOR THE FISCAL NEXT YEAR. BUT IF IT'S ANYTHING TO DO
- 19 WITH HEALTH AND IT'S GOING TO HELP PEOPLE IN PUBLIC SAFETY AND
- 20 THINGS LIKE THAT, TRANSPORTATION IS VERY IMPORTANT. LIKE I
- 21 SAID, I HAVE USED THESE SERVICES AROUND 6 TO 8 TIMES IN THE
- 22 LAST PAST TWO YEARS. SO THEY HAVE ALWAYS TREATED ME WELL. SO I
- 23 WANT TO TREAT THEM WELL. LET'S GIVE THESE GUYS A RAISE AND
- 24 LET'S BE PROUD OF IT OR LET'S GIVE THEM MORE MONEY SO THEY CAN



- 1 OPERATE AND SERVICE MORE PEOPLE. THE RED CHIEF HUNT ON THE
- 2 RECORD. [APPLAUSE.]

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- 4 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: RAISE THE ROOF. JIMMY MCNEIL, ERIC PREVEN,
- 5 ARNOLD SACHS, DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL.

- 7 JIMMY MCNEIL: GOOD MORNING, CHAIR SOLIS AND MEMBERS OF THE
- 8 BOARD. MY NAME IS JIMMY MCNEIL, CO-OWNER OF SCHAEFER AMBULANCE
- 9 SERVICE, I AND OTHERS IN THE AMBULANCE INDUSTRY HERE IN THE
- 10 AUDIENCE WITH ME TODAY UNDERSTOOD THE SUPPORT OF THE COUNTY'S
- 11 DESIRE TO INCREASE THE MINIMUM WAGE. BUT WE ALSO REPORTED ON
- 12 ECONOMIC ISSUES THAT FACE THE AMBULANCE INDUSTRY. LABOR MAKES
- 13 UP APPROXIMATELY 75 PERCENT OF THE OPERATING COSTS FOR
- 14 AMBULANCE PROVIDERS. IN ADDITION, THERE ARE INCREASES FOR
- 15 FUEL, INSURANCE, EMPLOYEE BENEFITS, MAINTENANCE OF THE
- 16 VEHICLES, COMPUTER EQUIPMENT, CUSTOM SOFTWARE, WATER AND
- 17 POWER, AND THE LIST GOES ON AND ON. TODAY, FOLLOWING THE
- 18 IMPLEMENTATION OF THE E.C.A., MEDICARE/MEDI-CAL MAKE UP
- 19 APPROXIMATELY 70 PERCENT OF THE AMBULANCE INDUSTRY CALLS. ONLY
- 20 10 PERCENT COME FROM COMMERCIAL INSURANCE SOURCES. THE
- 21 REMAINING 20 PERCENT OF THE PATIENTS' ACCOUNTS ARE WRITTEN OFF
- 22 DUE TO PATIENTS INABILITY OR UNWILLINGNESS TO PAY FOR
- 23 SERVICES. UNFORTUNATELY, MEDICARE/MEDI-CAL'S REIMBURSEMENT
- 24 AMOUNTS FOR AMBULANCE SERVICES ARE WOEFULLY INADEQUATE. FOR
- 25 EXAMPLE, THE COST SET BY THE COUNTY FOR BASIC LIFE SUPPORT



- I RESPONSE IS \$1,013. HOWEVER, MEDICARE PAYS \$300 ON AVERAGE AND
- 2 MEDI-CAL PAYS \$150 PER CALL. THIS MEANS THAT AMBULANCE
- 3 COMPANIES LOSE 90 PERCENT WHEN TRANSPORTING MEDI-CAL PATIENTS
- 4 AND LOSE 75 PERCENT TRANSPORTING MEDICARE PATIENTS. THAT MAKES
- 5 UP 70 PERCENT OF OUR CALL VOLUME. THE ORDINANCE CHANGE IS
- 6 NECESSARY, BECAUSE THE RATE AN AMBULANCE COMPANY CAN CHARGE IS
- 7 SET BY THE COUNTY ORDINANCE, MAKING IT THE ONE AND ONLY
- 8 INDUSTRY THAT DO NOT UNILATERALLY INCREASE WHAT IT CHARGES IN
- 9 THE FACE OF NEW MINIMUM WAGE INCREASE AND OTHER COSTS
- 10 ASSOCIATED. THE NEW PROPOSED LANGUAGE IN THE AMBULANCE RATE
- 11 ORDINANCE WILL HELP THE AMBULANCE INDUSTRY THAT WILL MAKE
- 12 HEALTH PATIENTS, AS WELL, BE ABLE TO CONTINUE TO PROVIDE
- 13 QUALITY OF CARE. WE THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

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15 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SIR. NEXT SPEAKER?

- 17 ERIC PREVEN: YES, IT IS ERIC PREVEN FROM THE THIRD DISTRICT
- 18 AND APPRECIATE THOSE COMMENTS. THIS IS FOR THE COUNTY SERVICE.
- 19 I'VE LOOKED AT SOMETHING VERY SIMILAR FOR THE CITY SERVICE AND
- 20 TRIED TO SCAN THE DIFFERENCES. MY RECOLLECTION IS THAT IS THIS
- 21 A FAIRLY GOOD PROGRAM FOR THE COUNTY, MEANING THEY'RE NOT
- 22 PAYING QUITE AS MUCH AS THEY'RE PAYING AT THE CITY LEVEL,
- 23 ALTHOUGH THEY ARE VERY CLOSE. BUT ONE DETAIL THAT I WAS ABLE
- 24 TO SCAN IS THAT THEY ARE PAYING A MILEAGE RATE OVER AT THE
- 25 CITY OF \$18.50. HERE AT THE COUNTY, WE ARE OFFERING \$18. SO I



- 1 DON'T KNOW IF THAT'S A VICTORY OR A DEFEAT, BUT THAT'S A 50-
- 2 CENT SPREAD ON EVERY MILE THAT WOULD COST MORE OVER THERE. SO
- 3 THANK YOU FOR THAT. THE ISSUE ABOUT AMBULANCES AND SERVICE IS
- 4 OF COURSE NOBODY WANTS THEM TO BE RUNNING A BUSINESS THAT'S
- 5 UNSUSTAINABLE, BUT IT'S AWKWARD THAT IT'S A BUSINESS AT ALL,
- 6 OBVIOUSLY, BECAUSE TO CHARGE A LOT OF MONEY OR ANY MONEY FOR
- 7 THIS KIND OF RELIEF, NOBODY GETS HIT BY A CAR BY DESIGN AND
- 8 INSURANCE IS COMPLICATED, AS THEY POINTED OUT. THE THING THAT
- 9 I CANNOT TOLERATE, HOWEVER, IS THE IDEA THAT EXPENSIVE GUYS
- 10 ARE HULKING AROUND WAITING IN EMERGENCY ROOMS. I KNOW THAT THE
- 11 BOARD AND CITY COUNCIL HAVE LOOKED AT WHAT CAN WE DO AS A
- 12 GROUP TO SOMEHOW RELIEVE PEOPLE WHO ARE COSTING A LOT OF MONEY
- 13 AND TYING UP RESOURCES FROM WAITING AROUND DURING EMERGENCY
- 14 ROOM DELAYS AND VARIOUS THINGS LIKE THAT. NOW, THE GOOD NEWS
- 15 IS, THANKS TO THE MESSIAH MITCHELL KATZ, WE HAVE OBVIOUSLY
- 16 REDUCED ALL OF OUR WAIT TIMES IN EMERGENCY ROOMS TO VIRTUALLY
- 17 NOTHING, I ASSUME, BUT I DON'T KNOW THAT FOR SURE. SO I WOULD
- 18 JUST ASK THAT WE LOOK CLOSELY AT THAT. AND IF YOU NEED A
- 19 REFERENCE FOR SOME ACCURATE INFORMATION, I BELIEVE THERE WAS
- 20 AN ARTICLE IN THE L.A. WEEKLY ABOUT THIS PHENOMENON, QUASI
- 21 RECENTLY, WITHIN A YEAR. AND WITH THAT, I WOUDL SAY I THANK
- 22 ALL THE FOLKS THAT DO SHOW UP WHEN YOU NEED THEM, AND I KNOW
- 23 THEY'RE TRYING TO GET THOSE RESPONSE TIMES INTO LINE. SO THANK
- 24 YOU.



1 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER.

- 3 ARNOLD SACHS: YES, THANK YOU. GOOD MORNING AGAIN, ARNOLD
- 4 SACHS. AND IT'S FASCINATING THAT THIS ITEM SHOULD COME BEFORE
- 5 THE BOARD. I BELIEVE ONE OF THE COLUMNISTS WHO WRITES FOR THE
- 6 L.A. TIMES JUST DID A STORY OF PEOPLE WHO HAD WRITTEN TO HIM
- 7 ABOUT THE ARBITRARY CHARGES THEY GET FOR AMBULANCE
- 8 TRANSPORTATION, THAT WHEN THEY ARE TRANSPORTED TO THE HOSPITAL
- 9 A AND B, THEY'RE NOT TOLD OF ANY COSTS ASSOCIATED WITH IT AND
- 10 THEY ARE JUST STUCK WITH THE BILL AT THE END OF THE TRIP. AND
- 11 IT COULD BE FOUR FIGURES OR HIGHER. SO I THINK IT'S THE WRITER
- 12 THAT TOOK LETTERS FROM THE PUBLIC ON THIS. SO I'M WONDERING IF
- 13 PEOPLE WOULD WRITE TO THE L.A. TIMES ABOUT THAT, WHY THEY
- 14 WOULDN'T SHOW UP AT THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO DISCUSS
- 15 THEIR SITUATION WITH THE BOARD THAT'S GOING TO RECOMMEND THE
- 16 RATE INCREASE, EXCEPT TO CONSIDER THE FACT THAT HOW IS THIS
- 17 NOTICED IN THE -- TO THE PUBLIC'S ATTENTION. IS IT NOTICED
- 18 THAT THIS HEARING IS GOING TO BE HELD IN ALL FIVE -- IS THE
- 19 NOTICE PUT OUT IN ALL FIVE DISTRICTS ON A REGULAR BASIS THAT
- 20 WOULD STATE THAT WE ARE TALKING ABOUT RATES FOR AMBULANCE
- 21 TRANSPORTATION. AND HE WRITES ABOUT IT IN HIS COLUMN, WHY THE
- 22 GENTLEMAN ISN'T EVEN HERE TO DEFEND OR TO QUESTION THE BOARD
- 23 ABOUT SOME OF THE PEOPLE WHO WROTE IN TO HIM RELATED TO THIS
- 24 PROBLEM AS FAR AS THE COSTS ARE CONCERNED. AND IT'S NOT COUNTY
- 25 SERVICE. IT'S IN LIEU OF COUNTY SERVICE. THIS IS NOT COUNTY



- 1 AMBULANCES THAT ARE DOING THE TRANSPORTING. THESE ARE PRIVATE
- 2 BUSINESSES THAT ARE DOING THE TRANSPORTING. I BELIEVE COUNTY
- 3 SERVICES OR EVEN HIGHER THAN THE PRIVATE SERVICES.

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5 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL?

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- 7 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL: GOOD AFTERNOON, DR. GENEVIEVE
- 8 CLAVREUL. WHEN IT COMES TO AMBULANCE PRICING, I AM ALWAYS
- 9 LEERY ABOUT IT, BECAUSE IT IS A HUGE COMPETITION BETWEEN THE
- 10 DIFFERENT AMBULANCE COMPANIES AND THERE IS A LOT OF BEHIND THE
- 11 SCENES AND QUID PRO QUO, WHICH HAPPENS VERY REGULARLY,
- 12 ESPECIALLY WITH HOSPITALS AND AMBULANCE. WHEN I WAS DIRECTOR
- 13 OF NURSING, ONE OF THE BIGGEST ISSUES I HAD WAS MAKING SURE MY
- 14 EMPLOYEES DID NOT ACCEPT GOODIES, LUNCH DATES, AND SO ON WITH
- 15 THE AMBULANCE COMPANY TO MAKE SURE THEY WILL ASSIGN ONE TO
- 16 ANOTHER. SO I WILL HIGHLY RECOMMEND THAT YOU LOOK AND DO SOME
- 17 AUDITS ON WHO IS GETTING THE BENEFIT OUT OF THE AMBULANCE
- 18 COMPANIES, BECAUSE THEY ARE VERY WELL-KNOWN FOR BILLING
- 19 BUSINESS. AND I THINK IT NEEDS TO BE CHANGED. I THINK IT
- 20 SHOULD BE BECAUSE THEY ARE THE BEST AND THEY PROVIDE THE BEST
- 21 SERVICE, NOT BECAUSE THEY ARE GIVING SOME GOODIES TO THE STAFF
- 22 AT THE HOSPITAL. THANK YOU.

- 24 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. EXECUTIVE OFFICE, THAT
- 25 CONCLUDES OUR PUBLIC SPEAKERS ON THIS ITEM.



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2 LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: MADAME CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE

- 3 BOARD, AT THIS TIME, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE TO CLOSE THE
- 4 PUBLIC HEARING AND APPROVE THE ITEMS BEFORE YOU.

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- 6 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THE PUBLIC HEARING HAS BEEN CLOSED, MOVED
- 7 BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION. SUCH WILL BE
- 8 THE ORDER.

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- 10 LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: ON ITEM NO. 8. THIS IS A HEARING ON
- 11 AMENDMENTS TO COUNTY CODE TITLE 12, ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION,
- 12 TO ADJUST THE ANNUAL FEES FOR HAZARDOUS WASTE GENERATOR TIERED
- 13 PERMITTING, HAZARDOUS MATERIALS HANDLER, ABOVE GROUND
- 14 PETROLEUM STORAGE TANK, CALIFORNIA ACCIDENTAL RELEASE
- 15 PREVENTION PROGRAMS, AND COST RECOVERY HOURLY RATES FOR
- 16 EMERGENCY OPERATIONS AND SITE MITIGATION FOR FISCAL YEAR 2016-
- 17. THERE IS NO DEPARTMENTAL STATEMENT AND NO CORRESPONDENCE
- 18 WAS RECEIVED.

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20 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THERE ARE NO SPEAKERS.

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- 22 LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: AT THIS TIME IT WOULD BE
- 23 APPROPRIATE, MADAME CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, TO CLOSE
- 24 THE PUBLIC HEARING AND APPROVE THE ITEM BEFORE YOU.



- 1 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: WE MOVE TO CLOSE THE PUBLIC HEARING AND
- 2 THAT ITEM IS MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. SECONDED BY SOLIS.

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- 4 LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: AND, MADAME CHAIR, I HAVE AGENDA
- 5 ITEM NO. 1 IS NOW BACK. MADAME CHAIR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD,
- 6 A DETERMINATION HAS BEEN MADE THAT NO MAJORITY PROTEST EXISTS
- 7 AGAINST THE PROPOSED TRANSFER OF TERRITORY OR INCREASED
- 8 ASSESSMENT FROM TAX ZONE B TO TAX ZONE A WITHIN COUNTY
- 9 LIGHTING MAINTENANCE DISTRICT 10045 AND LA MIRADA ZONE B TO LA
- 10 MIRADA ZONE A WITHIN COUNTY LIGHTING DISTRICT LANDSCAPING AND
- 11 LIGHTING ACT-1. AS A RESULT, IT WOULD BE APPROPRIATE FOR THE
- 12 BOARD TO ADOPT A RESOLUTION ORDERING THE TRANSFER OF TERRITORY
- 13 AND CONSTITUTE THE LEVYING OF INCREASED ASSESSMENTS IN FISCAL
- 14 YEAR 2016/17.

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- 16 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THAT ITEM IS MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE.
- 17 SECONDED WITHOUT OBJECTION. SUCH WILL BE THE ORDER. OKAY. THIS
- 18 CONCLUDES PUBLIC HEARINGS. OKAY. SO, WE'RE GOING TO MOVE ON
- 19 NOW TO ITEM 27-E. SUPERVISOR KUEHL, DO YOU HAVE AN AMENDMENT?

- 21 SUP. SHEILA KUEHL: YES, MADAME CHAIR. I WANTED TO PROPOSE AN
- 22 AMENDMENT WHICH I BELIEVE HAS BEEN DISTRIBUTED TO EACH OF THE
- 23 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. LET ME READ THE AMENDMENT AND THEN
- 24 INDICATE WHY I THINK IT'S NECESSARY. AND I HOPE THE PRESS WILL
- 25 ALSO TAKE ACCOUNT. SO, TO ADOPT THE FOLLOWING CHANGES TO THE



- 1 AGENDA ITEM IN THE MOTION SECTION SO THAT IT WOULD READ: "I
- 2 THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DIRECT THE
- 3 AUDITOR-CONTROLLER, UPON RECEIPT OF DETAILS ON SPECIFIC CASES
- 4 OF VOTER FRAUD FROM C.B.S. NEWS/K.C.A.L., TO CONDUCT A REVIEW
- 5 OF THE ALLEGATIONS AND PROVIDE A REPORT TO THE BOARD IN 30
- 6 DAYS WITH THEIR FINDINGS, RECOMMENDATIONS, AND ANY CORRECTIVE
- 7 ACTIONS THAT MAY BE NECESSARY. I FURTHER MOVE THAT THE BOARD
- 8 OF SUPERVISORS DIRECT THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK IN
- 9 COLLABORATION WITH THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER TO PROVIDE A REPORT
- 10 IN 30 DAYS THAT INCLUDES DETAILS ON CURRENT PROTOCOLS AND
- 11 STATISTICS RELATED TO DEATH NOTIFICATIONS AND VOTER FILE
- 12 MAINTENANCE AS WELL AS A FOLLOWUP STATUS REPORT ON THE 10
- 13 RECOMMENDATIONS CONTAINED IN THE FEBRUARY 6, 2015 AUDITOR-
- 14 CONTROLLER REPORT ON DUPLICATE VOTER RECORDS AT THE REGISTRAR-
- 15 RECORDER/COUNTY CLERK."

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- 17 SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH: IT IS A FRIENDLY AMENDMENT, AND I
- 18 SUPPORT THAT. SO WOULD MOVE THE MOTION AS AMENDED.

- 20 SUP. SHEILA KUEHL: THANK YOU. I APPRECIATE THAT, SUPERVISOR
- 21 ANTONOVICH. THE REASON IS, I UNDERSTAND THAT THOUGH
- 22 ALLEGATIONS WERE MADE BY ONE OF OUR ESTEEMED TELEVISION
- 23 STATIONS, THEY REFUSED TO BE FORTHCOMING ABOUT THE ACTUAL
- 24 LIST. SO IT'S KIND OF LIKE SAYING, AS ONE PRESIDENT OR OTHER
- 25 DID, "I'VE GOT A LIST RIGHT HERE OF THE ENEMIES BUT I'M NOT



- 1 GOING TO GIVE IT TO YOU." SO THE AMENDMENT REALLY SAYS AS SOON
- 2 AS WE GET THE LIST, THEN IT WILL BE POSSIBLE FOR US TO COMPARE
- 3 THE NAMES. A SAMPLE WAS RELEASED TO TO THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER,
- 4 WHO THEN INVESTIGATED EACH OF THE 10 NAMES THAT WAS PROVIDED
- 5 AND FOUND THAT IN ALL CASES BUT ONE, IT WAS NOT THE CASE THAT
- 6 THERE WERE PEOPLE WHO HAD PASSED AWAY WHO WERE REGISTERED TO
- 7 VOTE. 8 OF THEM WERE NOT ON THE ROLLS. ONE WAS THE SON WITH
- 8 THE SAME NAME OF ONE OF THE VOTERS WHO WAS REGISTERED, AND ONE
- 9 WAS OUESTIONABLE, WHICH THEY ARE NOW INVESTIGATING. SO I THINK
- 10 IT REALLY BEHOOVES US IF WE'RE GOING TO ORDER THEM TO DO AN
- 11 INVESTIGATION THAT WE HAVE THE ACTUAL ALLEGATIONS IN HAND. AND
- 12 ALSO I THINK TO GET A REPORT BACK ABOUT WHAT THEY'VE DONE ON
- 13 OUR MOTION FROM LAST YEAR IN A REAL PROTOCOL FOR THE ENTIRE
- 14 SYSTEM.

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- 16 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: VERY GOOD. OKAY, WE HAVE TWO SPEAKERS ON
- 17 THIS ITEM, ERIC PREVEN AND ARNOLD SACHS.

- 19 ERIC PREVEN: THANK YOU. IT IS ERIC PREVEN. AND I SUPPOSE THANK
- 20 YOU TO THE SUPERVISOR FROM THE THIRD DISTRICT FOR BRINGING IN
- 21 O.C.I., IF THAT'S WHO IT IS. IS IT THE OFFICE OF COUNTY
- 22 INVESTIGATION? THEY'RE A GOOD GROUP. THEY ARE A SCANDAL CLOUD
- 23 THAT COMES IN TO KIND OF OVERSEE AND MAKE SURE THAT EVERYTHING
- 24 IS PROPER. I AGREE THAT THE INVISIBILITY IS PROBABLY
- 25 PROBLEMATIC. BUT I WOULD ASK IF WE WOULD BRING IN O.C.I., AND



- 1 THIS IS MERELY A PUBLIC COMMENT, THAT WE ALSO LOOK AT THE
- 2 ELECTION THAT HAS JUST TAKEN PLACE OR IS UNDERWAY FOR THE
- 3 SUPERVISORIAL SEATS TO MAKE SURE THAT ALL ALLEGATIONS ARE
- 4 FAIRLY CONSIDERED ABOUT VARIOUS KINDS OF, I DON'T WANT TO SAY
- 5 ELECTIONEERING, THAT'S A RED FLAG, BUT THERE'S A LOT OF FUNNY
- 6 BUSINESS IN THESE ELECTIONS, LIKE OBVIOUSLY IN THIS CASE,
- 7 WHICH IS VERY, VERY STARK, WHERE ANYBODY WOULD THINK TO PUT IN
- 8 A VOTER REGISTRATION CARD FOR A DEAD PERSON IS REALLY A BAD
- 9 ACTOR. I THINK THAT GOES WITHOUT SAYING. AND THERE ARE OTHER
- 10 SCAMS UNDERWAY, AND THERE'S OBVIOUSLY A LOT OF ENTHUSIASM FOR
- 11 VOTER ROLLS AMONG CANDIDATES. THAT'S WHY CLARK LEE, WHO YOU
- 12 BROUGHT IN FROM THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY TO SERVE ON THE
- 13 COMMISSION, BRINGS A KIND OF VENEER OF.. WELL, I DON'T WANT TO
- 14 SAY IMPROPRIETY BUT CERTAINLY NOT PROPRIETY, BECAUSE, OF
- 15 COURSE, THERE'S A BATTLE GOING ON BETWEEN VARIOUS MEMBERS OF
- 16 THIS GROUP. WE ALL REMEMBER CERTAINLY THE EMAIL IMBROGLIO, I
- 17 BELIEVE IS THE BEST WORD FOR IT, IN WHICH DURING BOARD OF
- 18 SUPERVISORS ELECTION, DEAD INDIVIDUALS -- I'M SORRY, NOT DEAD
- 19 INDIVIDUALS BUT COUNTY STAFF WERE USING THEIR PERSONAL EMAIL
- 20 TO DISINCLUDE OTHER MEMBERS OF THE CANDIDATES FROM DEBATES AND
- 21 SUCH. BUT TO GET BACK ON POINT, LET ME JUST CONCLUDE THAT I DO
- 22 THINK THAT IT'S VERY, VERY APPROPRIATE TO LOOK CLOSELY AT
- 23 THESE ALLEGATIONS. THANK YOU.

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25 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: NEXT SPEAKER?



- 2 ARNOLD SACHS: YES, THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS. A
- 3 COUPLE THINGS. AS A POLL WORKER, I THINK WHAT YOU OUGHT TO
- 4 LOOK AT OR ASK THE -- YOU HAVE SO MANY PEOPLE COMING TO THE
- 5 DIFFERENT POLLS THAT HAVE MADE REQUESTS TO BE TAKEN OFF, THAT
- 6 PEOPLE HAVE BEEN DECEASED. I THINK THEY SHOULD LOOK AT A
- 7 DIFFERENT TYPE OF METHOD OF HAVING PEOPLE NOTIFY THE COUNTY
- 8 REGISTRAR'S OFFICE THAT SOMEBODY HAS PASSED AWAY. I CAN'T TELL
- 9 YOU HOW MANY TIMES -- AND I WORK AT A RELATIVELY SMALL POLLING
- 10 PLACE IN MANHATTAN BEACH, BUT WE HAVE HAD SEVERAL ELECTIONS IN
- 11 A ROW WHERE THE SAME PEOPLE HAVE COME IN AND SAID "MY SPOUSE
- 12 IS NO LONGER LIVING, BUT THEY'RE STILL ON THE POLLING ROSTER."
- 13 SO EVIDENTLY THE REPETITION OF GOING IN AND REQUESTING THAT
- 14 YOUR SPOUSE OR SOMEBODY BE TAKEN OFF THE LIST DOESN'T SEEM TO
- 15 BE WORKING. AS FAR AS DEAD PEOPLE VOTING, I'M WONDERING, WOULD
- 16 THAT BE INCLUSIVE OF BRAIN- DEAD PEOPLE VOTING? AND MAYBE WHAT
- 17 WE COULD LOOK AT ESPECIALLY, WITH THIS ELECTION, IS THE PARTY
- 18 AFFILIATION FIASCO THAT HAS OCCURRED WHERE PEOPLE HAVE
- 19 REGISTERED TO BE INDEPENDENT VOTERS THINKING THAT THEY WERE
- 20 NOT ALIGNING WITH A DEMOCRATIC OR REPUBLICAN PARTY, BUT IN
- 21 FACT THEY'RE NOW ALIGNING WITH AN INDEPENDENT PARTY, WHICH IS
- 22 NOT REALLY WHAT THEIR REQUEST WAS, EITHER. THEY JUST WANTED TO
- 23 BE INDEPENDENT. AND BY THAT INFORMATION COMING OUT AS LATE AS
- 24 IT DID, IT DOESN'T ALLOW THEM TO TAKE PART IN THE PRESIDENTIAL
- 25 NOMINATION OR THE ELECTION THAT'S GOING TO COME UP NOW FOR THE



- 1 PRESIDENTIAL PRIMARIES. THAT SHOULD BE LOOKED INTO. THAT
- 2 SHOULD BE CLARIFIED, AND THAT SHOULD BE MADE CLEARER TO A
- 3 GREATER MAJORITY OF PEOPLE THAN ARE ACTUALLY DEAD. I EXCLUDE
- 4 BRAIN-DEAD BECAUSE I KNOW QUITE A FEW PEOPLE.

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6 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: NEXT SPEAKER IS RUTH SARNOFF.

- 8 RUTH SARNOFF: MY NAME IS RUTH SARNOFF. I THINK, FIRST OF ALL,
- 9 I WOULD LIKE TO SAY THAT I DON'T THINK ANY OF THE STUDIES
- 10 NATIONALLY OR HERE IN CALIFORNIA HAVE INDICATED THAT THERE'S A
- 11 PROBLEM WITH PEOPLE REGISTERING FOR DEAD PEOPLE OR THAT THAT'S
- 12 A BIG ISSUE. AND I THINK AN AUDIT OF THAT IS A WASTE, IS MY
- 13 OWN OPINION. I DO THINK THERE ARE SOME OTHER CONCERNS THEY
- 14 HAVE BEEN SEEN CARRIED IN THE TIMES, AND SOME OF IT'S BEEN
- 15 AVAILABLE IN VIDEO OR MEDIA. AND I THINK THAT THERE WAS AT ONE
- 16 POINT THE STATE LEGISLATURE PASSED AN OKAY FOR SAME-DAY
- 17 REGISTRATION IN CALIFORNIA. I THINK THAT COULD POSSIBLY BE
- 18 UTILIZED AT THE ELECTION THIS YEAR TO ALLOW PEOPLE WHO FEEL
- 19 THEY ARE NOT REGISTERED PROPERLY. I THINK THERE'S MORE PROBLEM
- 20 OF WHERE PEOPLE ARE, WHETHER THEY'RE REGISTERED AS A
- 21 DEMOCRAT/REPUBLICAN/AMERICAN INDEPENDENT PARTY OR JUST AS, YOU
- 22 KNOW, AN UNDECIDED, I CHOOSE AT MY LEISURE. I'M LOST WITH
- 23 WORDS RIGHT NOW, BECAUSE I DECIDED TO SPEAK TO THIS ABOUT ONE
- 24 MINUTE AGO. BUT I THINK THAT THE WHOLE ELECTION PROCESS SHOULD
- 25 GET EASIER. IN OREGON, EVERYBODY JUST VOTES BY MAIL. THERE ARE



- 1 THINGS OUT THERE THAT WE NEED TO LOOK AT TO SIMPLIFY AND MAKE
- 2 IT MORE FAIR AND JUST. THANK YOU.

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- 4 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. OKAY, THIS ITEM HAS BEEN MOVED
- 5 AS AMENDED BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL, SECONDED BY ANTONOVICH.
- 6 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SUCH WILL BE THE ORDER. VERY GOOD. OKAY.
- 7 NEXT ITEM IS 27-C, SUSTAINABILITY OFFICER. SUPERVISOR KNABE
- 8 HELD THIS ITEM. YES. YOU CAN LIFT IT. I'M NOT GOING TO HOLD
- 9 IT. IT'S ON THE SUSTAINABILITY OFFICER, 27-C.

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- 11 SUP. KNABE: WELL, I JUST HAD A QUESTION FOR STAFF. I THINK THE
- 12 ISSUE HERE IS IT WAS RATHER UNUSUAL TO MOVE FORWARD WITH THE
- 13 POSITION WITHOUT EVER HAVING THE FUNDING IN PLACE. ISN'T THAT
- 14 UNUSUAL TO MOVE FORWARD? I MEAN, I'M NOT ARGUING FOR OR
- 15 AGAINST THE DECISION, BUT IT'S AN UNUSUAL ACTION TO MOVE
- 16 FORWARD ON AGGRESSIVE SOLICITATION WHEN YOU DON'T HAVE THE
- 17 MONEY IN PLACE FOR THE POSITION.

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- 19 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: WELL MY UNDERSTANDING IS THAT THERE IS,
- 20 AND OUR C.E.O. COULD CLARIFY, THAT THERE IS A SET-ASIDE, SO TO
- 21 SPEAK FOR THIS.

- 23 SACHI HAMAI, C.E.O.: SURE, MADAME CHAIR AND SUPERVISORS. IN
- 24 THE RECOMMENDED BUDGET, THERE WAS MONEY SET ASIDE IN THE
- 25 PROVISIONAL FINANCING UNIT FOR THE SUSTAINABILITY OFFICE. I



- 1 THINK BACK A WHILE AGO SUPERVISOR KUEHL HAD MOVED A MOTION
- 2 ASKING FOR IT TO BE LOOKED AT AND THEN ADDED TO THE
- 3 RECOMMENDED BUDGET. AGAIN, IT WILL COME UP IN FINAL CHANGES.
- 4 BUT OFTENTIMES WHEN YOU HAVE HIGHER LEVEL POSITIONS, SOMETIMES
- 5 THERE MIGHT BE A POSITION THAT IT MAY TAKE A WHILE TO DO A
- 6 RECRUITMENT. YOU MAY START THE RECRUITMENT EFFORT EARLIER.
- 7 AND, AGAIN, THIS IS CONTINGENT ON THE BOARD APPROVING THE
- 8 FINAL CHANGES.

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- 10 SUP. KNABE: AND THE OTHER ISSUE, I WOULD JUST HOPE THAT, WHILE
- 11 I SUPPORT THE CHIEF SUSTAINABILITY OFFICER, I ALSO HOPE THAT
- 12 WE'RE NOT JUST CREATING A DEPARTMENT THAT LOOKS AT
- 13 SUSTAINABILITY AS AN ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUE. OTHER MUNICIPAL
- 14 GOVERNMENTS ARE REALLY EXPANDING THAT TO LOOK AT ECONOMIC AS
- 15 WELL AS SOCIAL MEASURES. SO IT'S NOT JUST GREEN. THERE'S A LOT
- 16 OF OTHER ISSUES THAT RELATE TO SUSTAINABILITY. LIKE HOW DO WE
- 17 PAY FOR THINGS? THAT'S A SUSTAINABLE ISSUE HAVE AND NOT
- 18 NECESSARILY RELATED TO ENVIRONMENT. SO I WOULD HOPE THAT AS WE
- 19 LOOK AT THE DEPARTMENT, WE'RE BEING AGGRESSIVE AND WE'RE
- 20 LOOKING AT FIVE PEOPLE OR SOMETHING LIKE THAT. SO, I HOPE THAT
- 21 WE LOOK AT ALL ISSUES AS IT RELATES TO SUSTAINABILITY AND
- 22 STIMULATING ECONOMIC GROWTH.

- 24 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: I WOULD LIKE TO SAY THAT THIS IS A
- 25 PRIORITY, I BELIEVE, OF THE BOARD, AND WE ALL ARE MOVING IN



- 1 THAT DIRECTION. SO WHEN WE SAY BE CONSERVATIVE, FISCALLY,
- 2 THAT'S GREAT. BUT ALSO CONSERVE IN TERMS OF THE ENVIRONMENT
- 3 AND WASTE AND OTHER THINGS THAT WE'RE LOOKING AT. I THINK
- 4 WE'RE COMING OF A NEW AGE, AND THE COUNTY IS STEPPING UP. OUR
- 5 PARTNERS ON THE CITY ARE DOING A LOT. WE NEED TO BE ALSO IN
- 6 THE FOREFRONT. SO I LIKE THIS IDEA AND SUPPORT IT, AND I KNOW
- 7 SUPERVISOR KUEHL WANTS TO SAY SOMETHING ON THIS.

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- 9 SUP. KNABE: WELL, CAN I JUST FINISH, THOUGH? I MEAN, AS IT
- 10 RELATES TO THIS, I MEAN, I UNDERSTAND THAT AND I AGREE WITH
- 11 THAT, BUT I THINK IT GOES BEYOND SUSTAINABILITY, GOES BEYOND
- 12 THAT ISSUE, AND IT'S NOT NECESSARILY THINGS ARE CHANGING BUT
- 13 THINGS ARE GOING TO IMPROVE BECAUSE OF THIS. AND I JUST WANT
- 14 TO MAKE SURE THAT SUSTAINABILITY, THAT WE RUN THE GAMUT, THAT
- 15 WE DON'T JUST NARROW OUR FOCUS AS IT RELATES TO THE
- 16 ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES.

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- 18 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: RIGHT. I DON'T BELIEVE IN ANY WAY THAT WE
- 19 WANT TO BE A ONE-TONE OR ONE-NOTE IDEOLOGY AT ALL. SUPERVISOR
- 20 KUEHL?

- 22 SUP. SHEILA KUEHL: I AGREE. SUPERVISOR KNABE, I THINK WE MEAN
- 23 FOR THAT KIND OF INCLUSION, AS WELL. I THINK WHAT WE'RE
- 24 FINDING, AND I'M NEW, SO JUST LOOKING AT IT IN THIS PAST YEAR
- 25 OR SO, IS THAT THERE ARE A NUMBER OF REALLY IMPORTANT ISSUES



- 1 THAT ARE SORT OF CROSS-CUTTING ACROSS OUR DEPARTMENTS THAT WE
- 2 TRIED TO IDENTIFY A WAY TO CENTRALIZE TO INCLUDE THE
- 3 DEPARTMENTS. AND, YOU KNOW, WE DID PUT TOGETHER A
- 4 SUSTAINABILITY COUNCIL, AND THEY WERE GREAT BUT THEY WERE
- 5 MOSTLY REPORTING ON WHAT THEIR DEPARTMENTS WERE DOING. SO THEN
- 6 WE ADOPTED THIS NEW POSITION, AND I THINK AS THE C.E.O.
- 7 INDICATED, THERE WAS MONEY FOR THIS POSITION RECOMMENDED IN
- 8 THE RECOMMENDED BUDGET AND HOPEFULLY OBVIOUSLY IN FINAL
- 9 CHANGES, BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY, I TOTALLY AGREE WITH YOU. I
- 10 THINK IT ISN'T JUST, YOU KNOW, ARE WE SAVING ON WATER AND
- 11 TURNING OFF THE LIGHT SWITCHES? THE COUNTY DOES SO MUCH THAT
- 12 WE NEED TO UNDERSTAND EVEN THE IDEA OF SUSTAINABILITY IS NOT
- 13 JUST ABOUT ENERGY. SO I AGREE WITH YOU.

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- 15 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: ITEM IS BEFORE US. MOVED BY SUPERVISOR
- 16 KUEHL. SECONDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION. SORRY, BEFORE WE CLOSE THE
- 17 ROLL, I DO HAVE TWO INDIVIDUALS WHO WANT TO SPEAK. ARNOLD
- 18 SACHS AND DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. THEY WANT TO SPEAK ON THIS
- 19 ITEM.

- 21 ARNOLD SACHS: IT DOESN'T MATTER. YOU'RE GOING TO VOTE ANYWAY.
- 22 THANK YOU. ARNOLD SACHS. I REALLY WASN'T GOING TO SPEAK ABOUT
- 23 THIS, BUT THEN SUPERVISOR KNABE SAID THE MAGIC WORDS: FUNDED-
- 24 UNFILLED POSITION. AND I RECALL WHEN YOU HAD YOUR FIRST BUDGET
- 25 DISCUSSION A FEW WEEKS AGO ABOUT THE INCREASE IN THE COUNTY'S



- I STAFFING TO 108,000 EMPLOYEES AND MY OUESTION WAS REGARDING
- 2 FUNDED UNFILLED POSITIONS AND HOW MUCH MONEY IS PUT ASIDE, SET
- 3 ASIDE, NOT SPENT, BANKED, WHATEVER YOU WANT TO CALL IT, NOT TO
- 4 BE SPENT AS A RAINY DAY SORT OF FUND. AND YOU MENTIONED ABOUT
- 5 BEING FISCALLY -- FISCAL CONSERVATION. AND I'M THINKING AGAIN
- 6 BACK TO YOUR BUDGET DISCUSSION ABOUT HOW YOU'RE \$47 BILLION IN
- 7 THE RED. SO MAYBE YOU MEAN, WELL, IT'S NOT 50, SO THAT'S
- 8 CONSERVATION. YOUR SAVINGS ON WATER, HAVE YOU CHECKED ANY
- 9 RESTROOMS IN THE HALL OF ADMINISTRATION, THE FAUCETS THAT ARE
- 10 CONSTANTLY DRIPPING WATER IN MOST OF THE FLOORS? I CAN'T SPEAK
- 11 FOR THE FIFTH THROUGH THE EIGHTH FLOOR, BUT I CERTAINLY CAN
- 12 SPEAK FOR THE FIRST THROUGH THE FOURTH FLOORS. YOUR
- 13 CONSERVATION EFFORTS AT THE HALL OF ADMINISTRATION, ON A SCALE
- 14 OF 1 TO 10, 1 BEING THE LOWEST, YOU OWE POINTS. AND I TAKE
- 15 OFFENSE TO WHAT YOU MENTIONED, MS. KUEHL, AND NORMALLY I
- 16 DON'T, ABOUT BEING NEW, MAYBE NEW TO THE COUNTY BUT NOT NEW TO
- 17 GOVERNMENT. THAT'S UNFAIR TO THE PEOPLE THAT ELECTED YOU,
- 18 OKAY? THIS COUNTY, IT'S BEEN A SPLINTER FOR YEARS. AND TO SAY
- 19 THAT YOU'RE NEW TO THIS COUNTY AND NOT AWARE OF WHAT'S GOING
- 20 ON HERE, THAT'S TOTALLY UNFAIR.

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22 SUP. SHEILA KUEHL: I DIDN'T SAY I WASN'T AWARE.

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24 ARNOLD SACHS: BUT YOU SAID YOU WERE NEW.



1 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: SPEAKER?

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- 3 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL: GOOD AFTERNOON. DR. GENEVIEVE
- 4 CLAVREUL. I AM GLAD TO SEE THAT YOU ARE GOING TO LOOK AT
- 5 SUSTAINABILITY. I WAS JUST WONDERING ABOUT THE BUDGET MYSELF,
- 6 YOU KNOW, HOW MANY EMPLOYEES THAT PROJECT WILL HAVE AND SO ON.
- 7 I REALLY THINK YOU NEED TO LOOK AT LONG-TERM PLAN AND SAVING,
- 8 YOU KNOW, THE ENVIRONMENT AND HOW WE SPEND. AND I WOULD HIGHLY
- 9 RECOMMEND THAT WE LOOK AT THE COMMISSIONS WE HAVE. WE DON'T
- 10 KNOW, 200-PLUS COMMISSIONS THAT DO NOTHING. AND MAYBE LOOK
- 11 MORE ON THE LONG TERM IMPACT OF WHAT WE ARE DOING. I THINK
- 12 MANY TIMES WE ARE MORE LOOKING AT THE MOMENT LESS SO THAN THE
- 13 LONG TERM. AND I THINK I WOULD LIKE THAT TO BE LOOKED AT. AND
- 14 THAT'S WHAT I HOPE THE DEPARTMENT WILL DO. BUT I DON'T WANT IT
- 15 TO BE ONE POSITION ALONE. I WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT THAT
- 16 INDIVIDUAL HAVE BACKUP.

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- 18 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: OKAY. WE HAVE ONE MORE SPEAKER ON THIS
- 19 ITEM, ERIC PREVEN.

- 21 ERIC PREVEN: YES. THANK YOU. IT IS ERIC PREVEN. AND SOMETHING
- 22 ALSO PROVOKED MY INTEREST IN THE CONVERSATION. THIS IS A --
- 23 IT'S LIKE WE'RE SETTING THE R.F.P. FOR A NEW JOB FOR THE CHIEF
- 24 FOR HEAD OF SUSTAINABILITY FOR THE COUNTY WHO'S GOING TO WORK
- 25 FOR MS. HAMAI UP IN THE C.E.O.'S OFFICE, AND I THINK DR.



- 1 CLAVREUL JUST RAISED A GOOD POINT ABOUT WHAT KIND OF STAFFING
- 2 WILL SURROUND THAT PERSON. I THINK SUPERVISOR KNABE MADE AN
- 3 INTERESTING POINT ABOUT IS THERE A BUDGET IN PLACE. AND
- 4 OBVIOUSLY EVERYBODY LOVES SUSTAINABILITY. I THINK THERE'S NO
- 5 DOUBT ABOUT THAT. I THINK BOTH SIDES OF THE GROUP WERE
- 6 FOCUSING ALSO ON, WHAT DOES SUSTAINABILITY MEAN? DOES IT MEAN
- 7 YOU HAVE TO PROVIDE REVENUE IF YOU'RE GOING TO HAVE A
- 8 DEPARTMENT? I MEAN, THAT SEEMS LIKE TOO HIGH A STANDARD,
- 9 BECAUSE MANY OF THE THINGS THE COUNTY PROVIDES ARE NOT ABOUT
- 10 GENERATING REVENUE, EVEN THOUGH SOME SUPERVISORS LIKE
- 11 GENERATING REVENUE AND SHARING IT WITH THEIR PARTNERS. I THINK
- 12 THAT ADDING A NEW C.E.O. DIVISION IS PUZZLING, BECAUSE EVERY
- 13 DEPARTMENT HERE AT THE COUNTY HAS A SUSTAINABILITY PERSON
- 14 WHO'S THINKING AND WORKING HARD ON TRYING TO REDUCE AND SERVE
- 15 AND RECYCLE. ALL OF THEM DO. I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHY THEY ALL
- 16 HAVE TO REPORT TO A SPECIALIST IN SUPERVISOR HAMAI'S DISTRICT.
- 17 AND I REALIZE THAT'S A CONFLATION. SHE'S THE C.E.O., NOT A
- 18 SUPERVISOR, YET. GIVE HER A LITTLE TIME. BUT I DO THINK THAT
- 19 THOSE DEPARTMENT HEADS, I MEAN, THOSE PEOPLE IN EACH
- 20 DEPARTMENT SHOULD BE CONVENING REGULARLY. BUT I DON'T KNOW WHY
- 21 WE NEED A NEW DEPARTMENT EXACTLY. I MEAN, I THOUGHT ABOUT THIS
- 22 THE FIRST TIME WHEN IT CAME UP, AND I BUMPED. AND IT COMES UP
- 23 FROM TIME TO TIME. WE ALSO HAVE AN L.G.B.T.O. SPECIALIST WE
- 24 HIRED, WHICH I'M SUPPORTIVE OF, BUT AS YOU WONDER ABOUT IT, IT
- 25 MAKES ME FEEL LIKE, WELL, THAT MEANS NOBODY ELSE IS DOING IT.

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- 1 THERE ARE PEOPLE IN EVERY DIVISION OF THE COUNTY WORKING ON
- 2 THOSE PROBLEMS. SO I DON'T KNOW IF ONE EXTRA PERSON, GIVEN MR.
- 3 SACHS'S COMMENTS ABOUT FILLED VERSUS UNFILLED, IS REALLY GOING
- 4 TO BE THE RIGHT THING. AND THE FINAL POINT AND I'LL LEAVE IS
- 5 THAT WHOEVER THESE PEOPLE ARE, LET THEM SPEAK TO SUPERVISORS
- 6 ABOUT WHAT THEY LIKE AND WHAT THEY WANT TO DO.

8 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. RUTH SARNOFF. THERE YOU ARE.

9 OKAY. LAST SPEAKER. I STAND CORRECTED.

11 RUTH SARNOFF: YOU KNOW, THE PROBLEM -- RUTH SARNOFF. YOU

12 KNOWM, THE PROBLEM AS I SEE IT WITH THESE CZARS THAT GET

13 PICKED, YOU KNOW, YOU PICK A CZAR, BUT YOU'RE PICKING PEOPLE

14 OFTEN THAT ARE NOT PEOPLE THAT ARE REALLY HAVE A STRONG

15 PASSION AND COMMITMENT TO MEETING THE CLIMATE CHANGE GOALS FOR

16 CALIFORNIA, ARE NOT PARTICULARLY COMMITTED TO FINDING NEW AND

17 VERY AVANT GARDE KIND OF SOLUTIONS TO THINGS. YOU NEED TO HAVE

18 SOME PLACE IN THE SCHISM IF YOU'RE GOING TO DO ANYTHING TO

19 TURN AROUND WHAT HAS BEEN A BIGGER IS BETTER, GROWTH IS BETTER

20 THAN SUMMARY DISTRIBUTION OF THE WEALTH SO THAT WE CAN DEAL

21 WITH THE PROBLEMS OF POVERTY AND INCOME INEQUALITY. SO WHAT WE

22 REALLY HAVE NOW, YOU HAVE ALL THESE HIGH-RISES COMING UP THAT

23 ARE BEING PUT UP ON THE PARKING LOTS AND ON PROPERTY THAT'S

24 BEING ROLLED OUT WHERE THE PEOPLE IN THOSE PROPERTIES ARE NOW

25 JOINING THE HOMELESS. LAST AUGUST YOU WERE TOLD THAT 3,000



- 1 PEOPLE IN THE COUNTY ARE FALLING INTO HOMELESSNESS EVERY
- 2 MONTH. YOU CAN'T HAVE A PLAN FOR -- AND SO, WHEN YOU TALK
- 3 ABOUT ENVIRONMENTALLY CHANGING THINGS, YOU HAVE TO CHANGE THE
- 4 PHILOSOPHY AND THE WAY PEOPLE IN YOUR DEPARTMENTS, YOU OUGHT
- 5 TO HAVE SOME OF THE PEOPLE FROM THE ENVIRONMENTAL COMMUNITY
- 6 COME IN AND MEET WITH YOUR DEPARTMENT HEADS AND AT LEAST HEAR
- 7 THEIR STORY, BECAUSE YOU DON'T HEAR IT IN TWO MINUTES. TRUST
- 8 ME. TOO COMPLICATED.

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- 10 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: WE HAVE A SPEAKER FROM LANCASTER? DIANA
- 11 BEARD WILLIAMS. LANCASTER.

- 13 DR. DIANA BEARD WILLIAMS: THE ANTELOPE VALLEY. I THINK THIS
- 14 POSITION IS A WASTE. AND I DON'T EVEN WANT TO TRY TO BE
- 15 DIPLOMATIC AND DANCE AROUND IT AND BE NICE ABOUT IT. IT IS A
- 16 WASTE OF MONEY. I PROBABLY AM ONE OF THE FEW PEOPLE IN THE
- 17 ANTELOPE VALLEY, BEING HERE FOR 30 YEARS AND BEING INTIMATELY
- 18 AND INTRICATELY INVOLVED IN ALMOST EVERY ASPECT OF THIS
- 19 COMMUNITY, INCLUDING THE RUNNING OF CAMPAIGNS FOR LEFFARD AND
- 20 PERRIS AND SEEN PEOPLE CARRY MONEY IN SUITCASES AND TELLING
- 21 YOU WHO GOT PAID OFF BY THE WATER DISTRICT, WHAT JUDGE GOT
- 22 PAID OFF, AND WHAT DEPARTMENT IS WASTING MONEY. I CAN TELL YOU
- 23 WHAT THE SUSTAINABILITY ISSUE WOULD BE HERE. I THINK THAT IF
- 24 YOU HIRE A DEPARTMENT HEAD AND THAT DEPARTMENT HEAD IS NOT
- 25 CAPABLE OF REPORTING TO THE BOARD AND TELLING THE BOARD WHAT



- 1 NEEDS TO BE HANDLED IN TERMS OF A SUSTAINABILITY ISSUE, THEN
- 2 THAT DEPARTMENT HEAD NEEDS TO BE LET GO. WHAT YOU ARE DOING IS
- 3 ADDING ANOTHER LAYER ON TOP OF OTHER LAYERS. YOU ARE GOIGN TO
- 4 BE EXPENDING MONEY WHICH COULD GO TO MORE IMPORTANT AREAS IN
- 5 THIS COUNTY. AND WHAT YOU'RE DOING BASICALLY IS ALLOWING YOUR
- 6 MANAGERS AND YOUR LEADERS IN THOSE DEPARTMENTS TO BE DUMMED
- 7 DOWN AND NOT REALLY HAVE THE EXPERTISE TO RUN THEIR OWN
- 8 DIVISIONS. YOU DON'T NEED THIS PERSON. WHAT YOU NEED IS BETTER
- 9 MANAGERS OF YOUR DEPARTMENTS AND YOUR AGENCIES, MORE
- 10 ACCOUNTABILITY, AND YOU ALSO NEED THEM TO BE MORE CREATIVE AND
- 11 LESS NEGLIGENT IN TERMS OF THE CARRYING OUT OF THEIR OWN
- 12 POSITIONS. YOU DON'T NEED THIS. PLEASE DON'T WASTE MONEY ON
- 13 THIS. WASTE MONEY, IF YOU HAVE TO, ON GREATER SERVICES FOR
- 14 CHILDREN AND FAMILIES, NOT ON ANOTHER TITLE, ON ANOTHER STAFF,
- 15 ON ANOTHER OFFICE, AND THE PERKS THAT THAT PERSON NEEDS TO
- 16 DECORATE THAT OFFICE. THANK YOU.

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- 18 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: OKAY, MEMBERS, THAT CONCLUDES PUBLIC
- 19 COMMENT ON THIS ITEM. AS PREVIOUSLY STATED, THIS ITEM WAS
- 20 MOVED AND SECONDED ALREADY. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SUCH WILL BE
- 21 THE ORDER. WITH THAT, WE GO ITEM 22, SUPERVISOR KNABE HELD
- 22 THAT ITEM.

- 24 SUP. KNABE: YEAH, I'D LIKE THE DEPARTMENT STAFF TO ASK THEM
- 25 SOME QUESTIONS.



2 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: DEPARTMENT OF?

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4 SUP. KNABE: HEALTH SERVICES.

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- 6 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: HEALTH SERVICES. GO AHEAD. WELCOME.
- 7 INTRODUCE YOURSELF.

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- 9 DR. HAL YEE: MY NAME IS DR. HAL YEE. I'M THE CHIEF MEDICAL
- 10 OFFICER FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH SERVICES, AND I AM A
- 11 PRACTICING GASTROENTEROLOGIST.

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- 13 SUP. KNABE: WELL, MY ISSUE IS NOT NECESSARILY THE PRODUCT BUT
- 14 IT'S THE MAKER OF THE PRODUCT AND THE SELLER OF THE PRODUCT AS
- 15 IT RELATES TO THE SAFETY CONCERNS INVOLVING THESE ENDOSCOPES
- 16 AND WHO WE'RE DEALING WITH. THE SCOPES MADE BY OLYMPUS HAVE
- 17 BEEN ATTRIBUTED TO TWO PATIENT DEATHS AND OUTBREAKS AFFECTING
- 18 MANY PATIENTS, NOT NECESSARILY LOCALLY BUT NATIONWIDE. SO I
- 19 GUESS MY QUESTION IS, WHAT LEADS THE DEPARTMENT TO BELIEVE
- 20 THAT THESE SCOPES ARE NOW SAFE TO USE ON OUR PATIENTS?

- 22 DR. HAL YEE: THAT'S A VERY GOOD QUESTION. I GUESS I'D LIKE TO
- 23 TO START BY SAYING THAT THE DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN VERY PROACTIVE
- 24 ABOUT DOING EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF OUR
- 25 PATIENTS WHEN THESE PROCEDURES ARE BEING DONE. THE



- 1 GASTROENTEROLOGISTS IN ENDOSCOPY UNITS IN OUR THREE HOSPITALS
- 2 THAT PERFORM THIS PROCEDURE IN FACT MODIFIED THEIR PROCESSING
- 3 OF THESE ENDOSCOPES WELL BEFORE THE U.C.L.A. INVESTIGATION WAS
- 4 MADE PUBLIC. WITHIN 36 HOURS OF WHEN THE F.D.A. PUT A WARNING
- 5 ON THESE ENDOSCOPES, THE D.H.S. HAD A SYSTEM-WIDE PROTOCOL TO
- 6 ENSURE THAT OUR PATIENTS COULD HAVE THIS PROCEDURE DONE
- 7 SAFELY. WE'VE DONE AN AUDIT OF OUR SITES AND WE HAVE LOOKED
- 8 BACK MORE THAN TWO YEARS AND WE HAVE FOUND NO EXAMPLES OF A
- 9 SINGLE PATIENT WHO HAS ACQUIRED THIS SUPERBUG CONNECTION. SO
- 10 WE REALLY DO FEEL THAT WE'RE DOING EVERYTHING POSSIBLE FOR OUR
- 11 PATIENTS. I THINK ONE OF THE MOST IMPORTANT THINGS THAT WE DO
- 12 IN OUR SYSTEM IS WE ONLY PERFORM THIS PROCEDURE, CALLED AN
- 13 E.R.C.P., WHEN IT'S ABSOLUTELY NECESSARY TO SAVE LIVES OR TO
- 14 AVOID A SURGERY. AND THIS IS AS OPPOSED TO WHAT WE MIGHT SEE
- 15 AT OTHER SITES OUTSIDE OF OUR SYSTEM WHERE THESE PROCEDURES
- 16 CAN BE DONE FOR DIAGNOSTICS ON OTHER THINGS. SO WE REALLY ARE
- 17 ONLY DOING THESE PROCEDURES WHEN NECESSARY. NOW, WITH REGARDS
- 18 TO OLYMPUS AND THE SCOPE, THIS PARTICULAR MODEL OF SCOPE, WHAT
- 19 WE'VE DISCOVERED WITH FURTHER INVESTIGATION BOTH AT A NATIONAL
- 20 LEVEL AND AT A LOCAL LEVEL, IT TURNS OUT THE G.I. MEETINGS
- 21 WERE THIS LAST WEEKEND AND I ATTENDED THEM, IS THAT SUCH
- 22 INFECTIONS HAVE BEEN DISCOVERED AND REPORTED BOTH FOR
- 23 DIFFERENT MODELS OF THE ENDOSCOPE THAT OLYMPUS MAKES AS WELL
- 24 AS BY ALL OF THE OTHER VENDORS, INCLUDING FUJI AND PENTAX. SO
- 25 IT'S OUR BELIEF THAT IT'S THE TECHNOLOGY THAT PERMITS THE



- 1 E.R.C.P.S, THE PROCEDURES TO BE DONE. THAT'S THE RISK AS
- 2 OPPOSED TO THIS PARTICULAR VENDOR OR THIS PARTICULAR MODEL. AS
- 3 A RESULT, WHAT WE DO AND HAVE DONE NOW SINCE THIS BECAME A
- 4 KNOWN ISSUE IS WE MONITOR EVERY SINGLE ONE OF THESE SCOPES
- 5 AFTER A PROCEDURE IS DONE TO ENSURE THAT THERE ARE NO BACTERIA
- 6 THAT REMAIN ON THE 'SCOPES. THAT'S THE FIRST THING WE DO,
- 7 BECAUSE IF THE BACTERIA ARE NOT THERE, THERE'S NO WAY TO
- 8 TRANSMIT THIS. WE ALSO ARE FOLLOWING THE F.D.A. AND C.D.C.
- 9 GUIDELINES IN EVERY SINGLE CASE TO ENSURE THAT WE PROCESS,
- 10 CLEAN, AND STERILIZE THE DEVICES AS MUCH AS WE CAN. WE FEEL
- 11 PRETTY CONFIDENT THAT BY CONTINUING TO BE VIGILANT ABOUT
- 12 MONITORING, BY STAYING ON TOP OF GUIDELINES AND ENSURING THAT
- 13 WE DO EVERYTHING POSSIBLE EACH AND EVERY TIME, WE'RE GOING TO
- 14 BE KEEPING OUR PATIENTS SAFE FROM THESE INFECTIONS.

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- 16 SUP. KNABE: I GUESS MY CONCERN WAS THE BOARD LETTER STATED
- 17 THAT THESE ARE BEST SUITED FOR OUR FACILITIES. THIS PARTICULAR
- 18 PRODUCT BY OLYMPUS WAS BEST SUITED FOR OUR FACILITIES. AND I
- 19 JUST FOUND IT UNIQUE WE COULD MAKE THAT CLAIM, SINCE THIS HAS
- 20 BEEN LINKED TO A SUCH AN ALARMING NUMBER OF PATIENT
- 21 INFECTIONS. OTHER PRODUCTS HAVE NOT, AM I CORRECT?

- 23 DR. HAL YEE: WELL, THE CHALLENGE FOR US HERE, AND I THINK IT'S
- 24 GENERALLY ACCEPTED, THAT THE REASON THAT THE OLYMPUS DEVICE
- 25 HAS BEEN ASOCIATED WITH THE MOST REPORTS IS BECAUSE THEY



- 1 ACTUALLY HAVE 90 PERCENT OF THE MARKET SHARE. AND SO PEOPLE
- 2 MORE EXPERT THAN I CURRENTLY BELIEVE THAT THE DEVICE -- AND I
- 3 CAN GET INTO THE SPECIFICS IF YOU WANT TO, BUT I'M NOT GOING
- 4 TO UNLESS YOU ASK -- IS THE TECHNOLOGY THAT'S NECESSARY THAT
- 5 PUTS IT AT RISK AND THAT EVEN IF WE SWITCHED TO EITHER AN
- 6 OLDER MODEL MADE BY OLYMPUS OR TO THE FUJI OR TO THE PENTAX
- 7 DEVICES, WE WOULD PUT OUR PATIENTS AT NO LESS RISK. THERE IS
- 8 NO DATA, NO EVIDENCE THAT OUR PATIENTS WOULD BE SAFER
- 9 SWITCHING TO A DIFFERENT 'SCOPE. SO WHAT WE REALLY FOCUS ON IS
- 10 ENSURING THAT WE ONLY PERFORM THE PROCEDURES WHEN PATIENTS
- 11 ABSOLUTELY NEED IT AND THAT WE DO EVERYTHING WE CAN TO ENSURE
- 12 THAT THE 'SCOPES CANNOT TRANSMIT ANY INFECTIONS TO THEM.

14 SUP. KNABE: THANK YOU.

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16 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU FOR THAT CLARIFICATION. OKAY, WE

- 17 HAVE SOME SPEAKERS ON THIS ITEM. WE HAVE DR. GENEVIEVE
- 18 CLAVREUL. WE ALSO HAVE HERMAN HERMAN AND MR. HUNT.
- 20 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL: GOOD AFTERNOON, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.
- 21 DR. GENEVIEVE CLAVREUL. I AM PRETTY UPSET ABOUT THAT OLYMPIC
- 22 SPIEL, YOU KNOW. LAST YEAR WHEN DR. KATZ WANTED TO PURCHASE
- 23 THE EQUIPMENT, I PROVIDED HIM WITH INFORMATION HOW POORLY THAT
- 24 EQUIPMENT WAS AND HOW YOU SHOULD ASK FOR A LOWER PRICE. AND
- 25 ACTUALLY AT THE TIME, A LOT OF THE HOSPITALS WERE ABLE TO



- 1 NEGOTIATE MUCH LOWER ACQUISITION PRICE THAN WE DID. AND
- 2 THAT'S, YOU KNOW, REALLY CONCERNED ME. AND CONTRARY TO WHAT
- 3 YOU WERE GIVEN TESTIMONY TWO MINUTES AGO IS NOT QUITE
- 4 ACCURATE. AND I WISH YOU WILL LOOK MORE DEEPLY ON IT. AND
- 5 ACTUALLY THE ISSUE OF OLYMPUS GO BACK TO LIKE THREE YEARS AGO
- 6 IN ACTUALLY DENMARK. I PROVIDED TON OF INFORMATION ON HOW
- 7 DIFFICULT IT IS TO CLEAN THE EQUIPMENT. EVEN NOW WITH THE NEW
- 8 EQUIPMENT THEY HAVE, IT IS ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE TO TOTALLY CLEAN
- 9 IT. SO I THINK THAT -- AND ALSO, YOU KNOW, IN A LETTER, THEY
- 10 SAID THE BOARD APPROVED AND DIDN'T GIVE YOU AUTHORITY TO
- 11 INCREASE THE ANNUAL COMPENSATION TO 40 PERCENT. HOW DO WE DO
- 12 THAT? YOU KNOW, IN THE PAST, WE USED TO CLAIM, GOT UPSET WHEN
- 13 IT WAS 25 PERCENT. NOW WE'RE GOING 40 PERCENT WITHOUT GOING
- 14 BACK TO THE BOARD? WHAT'S GOING ON? YOU KNOW, AT THIS STAGE OF
- 15 THE GAME, GIVEN ALL THE INFORMATION DR. KATZ HAD BEEN PROVIDED
- 16 WITH, I WONDER IF HE'S GETTING A KICKBACK FROM OLYMPUS. IT
- 17 DON'T MAKE ANY SENSE. 40 PERCENT INCREASE ON EQUIPMENT? SCARY.
- 18 THANK YOU.

- 20 HERMAN HERMAN: GOOD AFTERNOON. I DEFINITELY KNOW WHAT IT'S
- 21 LIKE TO CLEAN EQUIPMENT. IN MY SERVICE AT COUNTY U.S.C., IT
- 22 WAS DIFFICULT, DIFFICULT WHEN YOU COULDN'T HAVE GLOVES AT A
- 23 TIME WHEN THERE WAS A PROBLEM WITH HAVING ENOUGH GLOVES. SO WE
- 24 USED SURGICAL GLOVES. MORE COST-EFFECTIVE, RIGHT? NO. IT
- 25 PREVENTED US FROM GETTING A.I.D.S. IT PREVENTED US FROM



- 1 GETTING A.I.D.S. SO CLEANING EQUIPMENT, MAINTENANCE, AND
- 2 MAINTENANCE AT ALL TIMES IN OUR HEALTH FACILITIES IS VERY
- 3 IMPORTANT. NOT ONLY CAN YOU GET A.I.D.S. THROUGH BLOOD
- 4 TRANSFUSIONS, ALTHOUGH IT'S OFF THE TOPIC, IT HAS TO DO WITH
- 5 RESPECTFULLY CLEANING EQUIPMENT AND HAVING THE MONEY AND THE
- 6 PEOPLE THERE TO ENSURE THAT OUR HEALTH AND SAFETY IS NOT GOING
- 7 IN THE WRONG DIRECTION, ESPECIALLY WHEN WE'RE TALKING ABOUT AN
- 8 INSTRUMENT THAT GOES UP THE WRONG DIRECTION. BUT THAT'S
- 9 BESIDES THE POINT. I'M HERE TO ASK THAT THIS HEALTH SERVICE,
- 10 THROUGH THE COUNTY BOARD, EXTEND POSSIBLE, YOU KNOW, MONEY
- 11 INCREMENTS TO SECURE THAT THE EQUIPMENT IS SAFELY CLEANED. WE
- 12 SHOULDN'T ATTACK THE PEOPLE WHO PROMOTE GIVING US BETTER
- 13 HEALTH. YOU KNOW, PEOPLE MAKE MISTAKES. EQUIPMENT OR THE WAY
- 14 THEY MAKE THEM OR THE WAY TO BUILD THEM. THIS IS NOT N.A.S.A.,
- 15 BECAUSE N.A.S.A. NEVER MAKES MISTAKES. BUT WHEN N.A.S.A. DOES
- 16 MAKE A MISTAKE, THEY SURE KNOW HOW TO GET US AMERICANS DOWN
- 17 FROM THE MOON. SO LET'S FIND A BETTER PROCESS OF ENSURING THAT
- 18 THE HEALTH AND SAFETY OF ALL OF US IS SAFE AND WE AS AMERICANS
- 19 ARE PROTECTED THROUGH THE HEALTH SERVICES THAT THE COUNTY
- 20 PROVIDES. I RENDER BACK THE TIME OF 13 SECONDS BACK TO YOU,
- 21 MADAME CHAIR, MISS HILDA SOLIS.

23 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: NEXT SPEAKER.

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- 1 RED CHIEF HUNT: GOOD AFTERNOON. THE RED CHIEF HUNT ON THE
- 2 RECORD. I'VE BEEN LISTENING TO EVERYBODY AND I'M KIND OF
- 3 WONDERING, IS THIS THE ONLY COMPANY OUT THERE THAT ACTUALLY
- 4 DOES THIS WORK? PROBABLY WHY THERE WEREN'T MORE BIDS OR
- 5 SOMEBODY ELSE WHO HAD INTEREST IN THIS. BUT ANY TIME THAT YOU
- 6 ACTUALLY, PEOPLE COME UP THERE AND HAND SOME KIND OF SCOPE OR
- 7 SOMETHING, THAT'S NONSENSE. THAT ONLY LEAVES THE COUNTY WITH
- 8 THE RESPONSIBILITY. SO NOT ONLY DO I BELIEVE IN CLEANING THIS,
- 9 BUT I BELIEVE THAT PEOPLE WHO ARE CLEANING THOSE INSTRUMENTS
- 10 SHOULD BE DEFINED AND HELD RESPONSIBLE, BECAUSE AT THE END OF
- 11 THE DAY, IT STILL COMES BACK TO THE BOARD AND SOMEBODY ENDS UP
- 12 DEAD. THEN THE COUNTY USUALLY ENDS UP PAYING FOR IT. THAT'S
- 13 LIABILITY. BY RESPECT OF THINGS, THERE ARE MORE PEOPLE THAT
- 14 ACTUALLY CAN DO THE JOB WITHOUT, I MEAN, WITH THE SAFETY OF
- 15 ALL AMERICANS OR ALL LOS ANGELES, EVERYBODY THAT USED THE
- 16 COUNTY FACILITIES AND DEFINE THAT. AND THEN I WOULD REALLY
- 17 RECOMMEND THAT THERE BE MORE THAN ONE OR TWO COMPANIES OR
- 18 WHATEVER. SO ON THAT NOTE, I AM GOING TO LEAVE. I AM THE RED
- 19 CHIEF HUNT.

- 21 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: OKAY, MEMBERS, ON THAT ITEM, THAT ITEM IS
- 22 BEFORE US. ITEM IS MOVED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. SECONDED WITHOUT
- 23 OBJECTION. MEMBERS, WE'LL NOW MOVE ON TO SPECIAL ITEMS AND
- 24 ADJOURNMENTS, STARTING WITH DISTRICT 1. AND I HAVE ONE
- 25 ADJOURNMENT. TODAY I MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN IN TGE MEMORY OF



- 1 MARIA GUTIERREZ. MARIA WAS UNIVISION'S FORMER SENIOR VICE
- 2 PRESIDENT AND REGIONAL DIRECTOR OF LOCAL MEDIA FOR K.F.T.V.
- 3 SHE DIED THURSDAY, MAY 19TH AFTER A LONG BATTLE WITH CANCER.
- 4 MARIA GREW UP IN EAST L.A. AND GRADUATED FROM LOYOLA MARYMOUNT
- 5 UNIVERSITY WITH A BACHELOR'S DEGREE IN HISTORY AND POLITICAL
- 6 SCIENCE. SHE DID GRADUATE WORK AT U.S.C. I KNEW MARIA
- 7 PERSONALLY FOR OVER 20 YEARS AS SHE SERVED THE LATINO
- 8 COMMUNITY THROUGH HER JOB AT UNIVISION. UNDER HER LEADERSHIP,
- 9 UNIVISION BECAME THE LEADING SPANISH-LANGUAGE TELEVISION
- 10 STATION IN SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY, AND I'M DEEPLY SADDENED TO HEAR
- 11 OF HER PASSING. SHE WAS THE ONLY CHILD OF IMMIGRANT PARENTS
- 12 AND USED HER GIFT OF STORYTELLING TO SHINE A LIGHT ON THE
- 13 ISSUES OF IMPORTANCE TO THE LATINO COMMUNITY. I'LL MISS HER
- 14 COURAGE, HER DEDICATION TO PUBLIC SERVICE, AND MOST OF ALL HER
- 15 FRIENDSHIP TO ALL. SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER GODDAUGHTERS, KATRINA
- 16 HERRERA AND MARGARITA GUTIERREZ, HER COUSINS SONYA GOMEZ-
- 17 HERRERA AND EDNA ORTIZ CHAVEZ, HER AUNT AND UNCLE, HER ADOPTED
- 18 SISTERS, SANDY MENDOZA, AND HER CLOSE FRIENDS LILIA, LINDA
- 19 MARTINEZ AND DR. RUBIN OUINTANA. SHE WILL BE MISSED BY SO
- 20 MANY. SHE TOUCHED SO MANY OF OUR HEARTS. MAY SHE REST IN
- 21 PEACE. SUPERVISOR KUEHL.

- 23 SUP. SHEILA KUEHL: THANK YOU, MADAME CHAIR. I MOVE THAT WHEN
- 24 WE ADJOURN TODAY WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF APOSTLE WILLIAM
- 25 BROADOUS, WHO DIED ON MAY 3RD. DURING HIS TENURE AT CALVARY



- 1 BAPTIST CHURCH IN PACOIMA, APOSTLE BROADOUS ESTABLISHED
- 2 CALVARY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL, CALVARY BOOKSTORE, THE ROSE L.
- 3 BROADOUS CHILDREN'S ACADEMY, AND CALVARY COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT
- 4 CORPORATION. BETWEEN 1990 AND 2006, HE LED EIGHT MISSIONARY
- 5 TRIPS TO AFRICA, WHERE HE CONDUCTED REVIVALS AND SEMINARS. HE
- 6 WAS A SUPPORTER OF MANY COMMUNITY ORGANIZATIONS, INCLUDING THE
- 7 SAN FERNANDO CHAPTER OF THE N.A.A.C.P., THE BOYS AND GIRLS'
- 8 CLUB OF THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY, AND THE ALICIA BROADOUS-
- 9 DUNCAN SENIOR CENTER. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE GLORIA AND HIS
- 10 CHILDREN, BISHOP MIQUAIL BROADOUS, TERIA ANTOINETTE BROADOUS,
- 11 APRIL CHANEL BROADOUS-DAY, THE REVEREND KENNETH TAYLOR-
- 12 BROADOUS, AND WILLIAM T. BROADOUS II. AND I MOVE THAT WHEN WE
- 13 ADJOURN TODAY WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF A REALLY FINE, FUNNY,
- 14 AND WONDERFUL ACTOR, ALAN YOUNG, WHO DIED ON MAY 20TH. HE
- 15 PLAYED THE ICONIC ROLE OF THE AFFABLE ARCHITECT AND OWNER OF
- 16 THE TALKING HORSE WILBUR ON THE HIT C.B.S. SHOW "MR. ED."
- 17 COMEDIAN PRODUCER GEORGE BURNS CALLED ALAN THE KIND OF GUY A
- 18 HORSE WOULD TALK TO. LATER IN HIS CAREER, HE PROVIDED THE
- 19 VOICE OF SCROOGE MC DUCK IN DISNEY'S "MICKEY'S CHRISTMAS
- 20 CAROL" AND OTHER ANIMATED T.V. SERIES, INCLUDING "THE SMURFS,"
- 21 "ALVIN AND THE CHIPMUNKS," AND "DUCK TALES." AND I MOVE THAT
- 22 WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF MARY MAC
- 23 GONZALEZ. HER PASSION FOR SUSTAINABILITY AND GOING GREEN LED
- 24 TO HER ESTABLISHING THE VERY FIRST RECYCLING CENTER IN
- 25 CALIFORNIA IN THE 1950S. SHE WON THE ANNUAL MALIBU'S



- 1 FRIENDLIEST PERSON AWARD EVERY YEAR, WHICH PROMPTED THE LIONS
- 2 CLUB THERE TO STOP GIVING IT OUT, AS SHE WAS CONSISTENTLY THE
- 3 ONLY ONE WHO WON. EVEN IN HER 80S, SHE REGULARLY DELIVERED
- 4 GOODS TO HOMELESS SHELTERS, VISITED THE SICK AND ALL OUR
- 5 HOSPITALS, SELFLESSLY VOLUNTEERED HER TIME IN SUPPORT OF A
- 6 VAST NUMBER OF SOCIAL CAUSES. AND I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN
- 7 TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF HOWARD TAYLOR, WHO SPENT HIS
- 8 46-YEAR CAREER AS A THEORETICAL CHEMIST AND THEORETICAL
- 9 PHYSICIST AT U.S.C. AND SEVERAL UNIVERSITIES IN EUROPE. HE
- 10 MADE NOTABLE CONTRIBUTIONS TO QUANTUM CHEMISTRY THAT FOUND
- 11 WIDE USE IN MANY FIELDS OF CHEMISTRY AND PHYSICS. HE HELD
- 12 PRESTIGIOUS FELLOWSHIPS WITH THE AMERICAN ASSOCIATION FOR THE
- 13 ADVANCEMENT OF SCIENCE AND THE AMERICAN PHYSICAL SOCIETY AND
- 14 WAS THE RECIPIENT OF MANY AWARDS, INCLUDING THE U.S.C.
- 15 ASSOCIATES AWARD FOR CREATIVE SCHOLARSHIP AND RESEARCH AND THE
- 16 MAX PLANCK RESEARCH AWARD FOR ATOMIC AND MOLECULAR PHYSICS. HE
- 17 IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE OF 56 YEARS, HARRIET, AND HIS THREE
- 18 DAUGHTERS, RACHEL TAYLOR, LEEZA TAYLOR, AND JACQUELINE GREEN.
- 19 FINALLY, I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN
- 20 MEMORY OF JULIAN PIERS PLOWDEN. HE WAS A SUCCESSFUL TELEVISION
- 21 WRITER IN HOLLYWOOD, SERVED AS THE DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT AND
- 22 THE HEAD OF THE STORY DEPARTMENT AT PARAMOUNT, AND THE VICE
- 23 PRESIDENT OF CREATIVE AFFAIRS AT LORIMAR. AFTER WORKING AT
- 24 LORIMAR, HE WORKED ON SEVERAL SCRIPTS, INCLUDING THE 1982 FILM
- 25 "THE 40 DAYS OF MUSA DAGH" ABOUT THE ARMENIAN GENOCIDE AND A



- 1 1988 T.V. MOVIE, "AMERICA'S VICTORIA: REMEMBERING VICTORIA
- 2 WOODHULL," ABOUT THE FIRST WOMAN EVER TO RUN FOR UNITED STATES
- 3 PRESIDENT. JULIAN IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE JUDIE, HIS SISTER
- 4 PERDITA BURLINGAME, AND HIS SONS PETER AND GEOFFREY. THANK
- 5 YOU. SUPERVISOR KNABE?

- 7 SUP. KNABE: THANK YOU. I'D LIKE TO ADJOURN IN MEMORY TODAY OF
- 8 ANDREW CHARLES LAZZARETTO, JR. BETTER KNOWN AS ANDY, PASSED
- 9 AWAY PEACEFULLY AT HIS HOME IN BURBANK AT THE AGE OF 73 ON MAY
- 10 18TH SURROUNDED BY HIS FAMILY. I'VE KNOWN ANDY FOR OVER 30
- 11 YEARS, BUT HE SPENT MORE THAN 50 YEARS IN PUBLIC SERVICE. HE
- 12 HAS SERVED AS CITY MANAGER OF WALNUT, STANTON, ALHAMBRA,
- 13 BURBANK, ROSEMEAD, AND AS AN ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER IN
- 14 MONTEBELLO AND REDWOOD. IN ADDITION, HE WAS VERY HELPFUL TO US
- 15 ON THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA REGIONAL RAIL AUTHORITY AND THE
- 16 ISSUES CONFRONTING US AT L.A.X. EXPANSION. IN 1985 HE FOUNDED
- 17 A.C. LAZZARETTO & ASSOCIATES, A MUNICIPAL CONSULTING FIRM. HIS
- 18 CLIENTS RANGED FROM THE SMALLEST CITY IN THE COUNTY AND TO THE
- 19 COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. ONE OF HIS PROUDEST ACCOMPLISHMENTS WAS
- 20 THAT AT LEAST 15 OF HIS ASSISTANTS BECAME CITY MANAGERS,
- 21 INCLUDING ONE OF HIS SONS. ANDY WAS KNOWN FOR HIS GREAT SENSE
- 22 OF HUMOR, GENEROSITY, JOYFUL LIFE, AND A GREAT, BIG HEART.
- 23 HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS FATHER ANDY, SR., WIFE NAN, SIBLINGS
- 24 MICHAEL, DANIEL, TERESA AND JOHN, CHILDREN ANTHONY, MARK,
- 25 DOMINIC, EIGHT GRANDCHILDREN, COUNTLESS NIECES, NEPHEWS,



- 1 COUSINS, FAMILY AND FRIENDS WHOSE LIVES WERE TOUCHED BY THIS
- VERY HUMBLE, PEACEFUL AND JOY-FILLED MAN. BIG LOSS. ALSO THAT
- 3 WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF ELAINE MCELHINNEY, WHO PASSED AWAY
- 4 RECENTLY FOLLOWING A BRIEF ILLNESS. SHE WAS BORN IN PORTLAND
- 5 AND SPENT HER CHILDHOOD MOVING AROUND THE COUNTRY FOR HER
- 6 FATHER'S NAVY CAREER. AFTER SHE GRADUATED FROM MOUNT ST.
- 7 MARY'S IN LOS ANGELES, SHE WORKED FOR THE NEXT 34 YEARS AS A
- 8 SOCIAL WORKER FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. SHE RETIRED AS A
- 9 REGIONAL ADMINISTRATOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND
- 10 FAMILY SERVICES. HER FREE TIME WAS TAKEN UP WITH HER PASSION
- 11 FOR TRAVELING, SHE VISITED 39 COUNTRIES, BAKING AND OTHER
- 12 ACTIVITIES, INCLUDING GARDENING. SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER
- 13 DAUGHTER KRISTEN, SON-IN-LAW AARON, GRANDDAUGHTER AND HER FOUR
- 14 SISTERS AND NIECES AND NEPHEWS. ALSO WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF
- 15 BETTY ATKINS-HARRIS, LONGTIME RESIDENT OF LONG BEACH, PASSED
- 16 AWAY RECENTLY AT THE AGE OF 75. SHE IS RETIRED FROM THE CITY
- 17 OF LONG BEACH BACK IN 1996, WAS INVOLVED IN MANY COMMUNITY
- 18 ORGANIZATIONS THROUGHOUT THE CITY AS WELL AS THE LONG BEACH
- 19 UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT. SHE WAS ALSO A MEMBER OF CHRIST
- 20 SECOND BAPTIST CHURCH AND MEMBER OF THE N.A.A.C.P. IN LONG
- 21 BEACH. SHE WAS A MENTOR TO YOUNG LADIES AND A FRIEND TO MANY,
- 22 AS WELL. SHE WILL BE MISSED, AND SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER
- 23 DAUGHTER, A DEAR FRIEND, ELISE DODSON, A COUNTY PROBATION
- 24 EMPLOYEE. FINALLY THAT I MOVE THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF
- 25 BRENDA CARTER, WHO PASSED AWAY MAY 14TH. OUR THOUGHTS AND



- 1 PRAYERS ARE WITH HER FRIENDS. SHE IS THE BELOVED MOTHER OF MR.
- 2 CHARLES KENT. THANK YOU. ANTONOVICH?

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4 SUP. SHEILA KUEHL: SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH?

- 6 SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH: ALSO I'D LIKE TO MOVE IN MEMORY THAT
- 7 PASTOR WILLIAM BROADOUS, WHO PASSED AWAY, QUITE INVOLVED. I
- 8 BEGAN WORKING WITH THE BROADOUS FAMILY WHEN I WAS FIRST
- 9 ELECTED TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IN 1980. AND HIS SISTER
- 10 WAS ONE OF OUR PLANNING APPOINTEES FOR THE ALTADENA AREA PLAN,
- 11 WHERE SHE RESIDES. IT WAS A WONDERFUL FAMILY, ALL DEVOTED TO
- 12 OUR LORD, AND HE WAS QUITE INVOLVED IN THE COMMUNITY AND WELL-
- 13 RESPECTED. ALSO ANOTHER GOOD FRIEND OF OVER 40 YEARS WAS
- 14 ANDREW LAZZARETTO THAT WAS JUST MENTIONED. ANDY WAS, WHEN I
- 15 WAS FIRST ELECTED, HE WAS THE CITY MANAGER FOR BURBANK AND DID
- 16 AN INCREDIBLE JOB. THE SAD PART OF HIS LIFE WAS WHEN HIS SON
- 17 WAS MURDERED, A POLICE OFFICER IN GLENDALE. HE WAS MURDERED
- 18 DUE TO GANG ACTIVITY, AND A FREEWAY IS NAMED AFTER HIM. HIS
- 19 SON WAS MARRIED TO BOB TAYLOR'S DAUGHTER, WHO WAS OUR FORMER
- 20 PROBATION DIRECTOR. AND SISTER THERESE DONAHUE, SISTERS OF ST.
- 21 JOSEPH OF CARONDELET, SHE WAS AN EDUCATOR, ADMINISTERED
- 22 ELEMENTARY, HIGH SCHOOL, AND COLLEGE LEVELS, WAS PART OF THE
- 23 FIRST MISSIONARY GROUP TO GO TO PERU AND MINISTERED FOR EIGHT
- 24 YEARS. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER BROTHER MAURICE, NEPHEWS JERRY
- 25 AND DANNY, AND THAT'S THE ORDER. PASTOR VICTOR WRIGHT, A



- 1 LONGTIME RESIDENT OF ALTADENA, FOUNDING MEMBER OF FAMILY OF
- 2 FRIENDS INTERNATIONAL IS SURVIVED BY HIS MOTHER DOROTHY. LINDA
- 3 HOPKINS, LONGTIME RESIDENT OF GRANADA HILLS WAS A LEGAL WORD
- 4 PROCESSOR AND PART OF THE COMMUNITY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM.
- 5 SHE ALSO VOLUNTEERED AT THE ANNUAL VALLEY DISASTER
- 6 PREPAREDNESS FAIR WITH THE LIBRARY SERVICE TO SHUT-INS
- 7 PROGRAMS. SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND WILLIAM AND SISTER ELAINE.
- 8 PAUL ORBAN, HE WAS A WHITE SUITER FOR THE TOURNAMENT OF ROSES.
- 9 HE SERVED SINCE 1968 SERVING ON 15 DIFFERENT COMMITTEES BEFORE
- 10 BECOMING AN HONORARY MEMBER IN 2001. ELAINE BILER MC KENNEDY.
- 11 SHE WAS A FORMER WORKER FOR THE SUPERVISOR FOR THE LOS ANGELES
- 12 COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES FOR OVER 34
- 13 YEARS AND SHE WAS A GRADUATE OF MOUNT ST. MARY'S UNIVERSITY IN
- 14 LOS ANGELES AND SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER DAUGHTER. A REAL
- 15 INSTITUTION IN THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT WAS JACK STUART BONES,
- 16 SR. HE HAD 40 YEARS SERVICE AS A RESERVE DEPUTY AND RETIRING
- 17 AS CHIEF OF STAFF OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S MOUNTED
- 18 POSSE. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE AND THEIR DAUGHTER AND HE
- 19 WAS AN 85-YEAR RESIDENT OF THE LITTLEROCK AREA, PASSED AWAY AT
- 20 THE AGE OF 96. ENRIQUE "HENRY" SILVA WORKED AT THE JONATHAN
- 21 CLUB FOR OVER 50 YEARS, WAS A PROUD MEMBER OF THE KNIGHTS OF
- 22 COLUMBUS FOURTH DEGREE, AND THE THIRD ORDER OF ST. FRANCIS. HE
- 23 IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE ISABEL AND THEIR SIX CHILDREN. DEPUTY
- 24 JAMES "JIM" TERBORG PASSED AWAY MAY 17TH. HE WAS A VETERAN OF
- 25 THE UNITED STATES ARMY DURING THE KOREAN WAR AND RETIRED AS A



- 1 SERGEANT IN 1984. AND ALSO ALAN YOUNG, THE GREAT ACTOR, AND
- 2 ONE OF THE GREAT PROGRAMS THAT HE WAS THE STAR OF THE SITCOM.
- 3 THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENT MOTIONS, CHAIRMAN, AND THEN I HAVE
- 4 SOME OUESTIONS I WANT TO PASS TO OUR COUNTY COUNSEL. THIS IS A
- 5 -- I WANT TO READ AN EMAIL I JUST RECEIVED FROM ANGIE MERLE,
- 6 AND THIS IS THE FRUSTRATION THAT'S GOING ON. "OUR FAMILY OF
- 7 FIVE, MY HUSBAND AND I AND OUR THREE SMALL CHILDREN HAVE BEEN
- 8 RELOCATED FROM OUR HOME IN PORTER RANCH SINCE JANUARY 23RD. ON
- 9 MAY 27TH -- I SHOULD SAY ON APRIL 27TH, WE HAD TO SELF-PLACE
- 10 IN A HOTEL SINCE THE TWO OPTIONS, SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS
- 11 OAKWOOD GAVE US WERE IN DOWNTOWN LOS ANGELES, THE ONLY PART OF
- 12 THE CITY I SHARED WITH OAKWOOD THAT WE DID NOT WANT TO BE IN.
- 13 WE WERE APPROVED BY SOUTHERN CAL GAS TO SELF-PLACE AND WE HAD
- 14 TO PAY FOR OUR HOTEL ROOM OUT OF OUR POCKET SINCE APRIL 27TH.
- 15 LAST WEEK, OUR BANK ACCOUNT WAS IN THE NEGATIVE UNTIL MY
- 16 HUSBAND AND I RECEIVED OUR PAYCHECKS FROM WORK ON FRIDAY.
- 17 THANK GOD FOR THAT. UNFORTUNATELY, WE HAD TO CHANGE ROOMS IN
- 18 OUR HOTEL, BECAUSE THE ROOM WE WERE IN WAS SOLD OUT. AND UPON
- 19 MOVING ROOMS, THE HOTEL HAD TO CHARGE OUR CREDIT CARD FOR THE
- 20 18 DAYS WE WERE IN THAT FIRST ROOM. THAT COST WAS \$6,435,
- 21 ANOTHER BIG HIT TO OUR CREDIT CARD. TWICE THIS WEEKEND WHEN WE
- 22 TRIED TO BUY FOOD FOR OUR FAMILY, MY CREDIT CARD WAS DECLINED.
- 23 I CANNOT TELL YOU HOW EMBARRASSING THAT WAS AND THE ANXIETY AS
- 24 A MOTHER NOT KNOWING HOW I AM GOING TO FEED MY FAMILY. OUR
- 25 CREDIT CARDS ARE MAXED OUT DUE TO THE COSTS OF RELOCATION WE



- 1 HAVE HAD TO INCUR WITH NO REIMBURSEMENT FROM THE SOUTHERN
- 2 CALIFORNIA GAS COMPANY IN TWO MONTHS. TO DATE WE HAVE NOT BEEN
- 3 REIMBURSED FOR MILEAGE SINCE APRIL 9TH PLUS 9 DAYS RANDOMLY
- 4 SKIPPED OVER IN MARCH. ACCORDING TO MY CALCULATIONS THAT'S
- 5 OVER \$12,000. WE HAVE NOT BEEN REIMBURSED FOR MEALS SINCE
- 6 APRIL 2ND PLUS 9 DAYS RANDOMLY SKIPPED OVER IN MARCH.
- 7 ACCORDING TO MY CALCULATIONS, THAT'S OVER \$4,000. WE HAVE NOT
- 8 BEEN REIMBURSED FOR OUR HOTEL STAY FROM 4/27 TO 5/2 AT THE
- 9 COURTYARD MARRIOTT SUBMITTED TO THE SOUTHERN CAL GAS ON MAY
- 10 3RD FOR \$720. WE HAVE NOT BEEN REIMBURSED FOR OUR HOTEL STAY
- 11 FROM 5/2 TO 5/20 AT THE WESTLAKE VILLAGE INN SUBMITTED TO THE
- 12 GAS COMPANY ON MAY 21ST FOR \$6,435. WE ARE OWED MORE THAN
- 13 \$23,000 BY SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA GAS FOR MEALS, MILEAGE AND
- 14 HOTEL EXPENSES. CAN YOU IMAGINE? THIS HAS TAKEN A HUGE
- 15 FINANCIAL TOLL ON MY FAMILY IN ADDITION TO THE AILMENTS WE
- 16 EXPERIENCE DUE TO THE GAS LEAK, THE DISRUPTION AND
- 17 INCONVENIENCE OF RELOCATION, THE LOST TIME WE CAN NEVER GET
- 18 COMMUTING, PACKING, AND MOVING FROM ONE HOTEL TO ANOTHER
- 19 HOTEL. MY LIAISON HAS TOLD ME SINCE FRIDAY THAT HE WOULD BE
- 20 LOOKING INTO THIS FOR US. WE NEED CONCRETE ANSWERS. WE NEED
- 21 OUR EXPENSES REIMBURSED IN A TIMELY MANNER. IT'S BEEN EIGHT
- 22 WEEKS SINCE WE HAVE EVEN BEEN REIMBURSED. THIS IS
- 23 UNACCEPTABLE." I KNOW ON FRIDAY IN COURT THE JUDGE ORDERED
- 24 THAT THE GAS COMPANY HAD TO CLEAN UP THE HOMES. BUT NOW WE
- 25 FIND OUT THEY WERE NOT CLEANING UP ACCORDING TO PROTOCOL OF



- 1 THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH. AND THE QUESTION IS: WHAT CAN WE DO
- 2 TO HAVE THE COURT ORDER A MEDIATOR SO PEOPLE ARE PAID AND
- 3 THEIR CREDIT RATINGS ARE RESTORED? AND ALSO, HOW CAN WE ENSURE
- 4 THAT WHEN THE COURT GIVES AN ORDER, THE GAS COMPANY DOESN'T
- 5 PUT A FINGER IN THEIR EYE OF THE VICTIMS BUT THEY CONTINUE TO
- 6 FOLLOW THE COURT ORDER INSTEAD OF NOT FOLLOWING THE COURT
- 7 ORDER? THESE ARE NOT TWO-YEAR-OLDS WHO CAN'T BE EXPLAINED WHAT
- 8 A COURT ORDER SAYS, AND THEY CAN READ WHAT IT STATES, THAT THE
- 9 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH WILL OVERSEE THE PROTOCOLS AND THE
- 10 CLEANING OF THOSE FACILITIES. AND THEY CONTINUE TO FRUSTRATE
- 11 THESE INDIVIDUALS WHO ARE VICTIMS FOR THE GAS COMPANY'S LEAK.
- 12 THE GAS COMPANY'S RESPONSIBLE. SO LET ME ASK COUNTY COUNSEL
- 13 THE TWO ISSUES ON HOW DO WE GET THE COURT TO GO BACK AND ORDER
- 14 THEM AGAIN AND HOLD THEM IN CONTEMPT? AND SECONDLY, HOW DO WE
- 15 HAVE THE COURT ORDER A MEDIATOR SO THESE INDIVIDUALS WILL BE
- 16 PAID?

- 18 MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL: YES, SUPERVISOR, UNFORTUNATELY THERE'S
- 19 TOO MANY OF THESE STORIES INVOLVING SO CAL GAS THROUGHOUT THIS
- 20 WHOLE PAST MANY MONTHS OVER THE LEAK AND EVERYTHING. SO WHAT
- 21 MY OFFICE HAS BEEN DOING IS SINCE THE COURT ENTERED THE ORDER
- 22 ON LAST FRIDAY REGARDING THE CLEANING OF THE HOMES, IT IS
- 23 CORRECT THAT UNFORTUNATELY SO CAL GAS HAS NOT HONORED THE
- 24 COURT'S ORDER. WE HAVE BROUGHT THAT TO THEIR ATTENTION. WE'RE
- 25 REQUIRED TO MEET AND CONFER WITH SO CAL GAS TO TRY TO RESOLVE



- 1 THINGS BEFORE WE GO TO COURT. WE HAVE BEEN DOING THAT
- 2 YESTERDAY AND TODAY. MY UNDERSTANDING IS THAT THEY ARE
- 3 AGREEING TO COMPLY WITH THE COURT ORDER REGARDING THE HOUSE
- 4 CLEANING. BUT IF THEY FAIL TO DO SO, WE ARE PREPARED TO GO
- 5 INTO COURT AND ASK THE COURT FOR AN ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR
- 6 CONTEMPT AND THEIR FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THE COURT ORDER. SO
- 7 WE WOULD BE DOING THAT GOING INTO COURT THIS WEEK WITH RESPECT
- 8 TO THAT IF THEY FAIL TO HONOR THE COURT ORDER. WITH RESPECT TO
- 9 THE REIMBURSEMENTS OF RELOCATION EXPENSES, OUR PLAN AGAIN IS
- 10 TO GO INTO COURT THIS WEEK AND ASK THE JUDGE TO APPOINT A
- 11 REFEREE OR A MEDIATOR SO THAT THERE'S A MECHANISM IN PLACE
- 12 THAT THE RESIDENTS OF PORTER RANCH CAN REACH OUT TO AND FOLLOW
- 13 TO ENSURE THAT THEY ARE REIMBURSED FOR THE OUT-OF-POCKET
- 14 EXPENSES THEY'VE INCURRED.

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- 16 SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH: BUT WHEN THE COURT ORDER ON FRIDAY,
- 17 WHICH WAS FOUR DAYS AGO, STATES THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC
- 18 HEALTH WILL BE OVERSEEING, THEY HAVE TO COMPLY WITH THE
- 19 CLEANING OF THOSE HOMES ACCORDING TO THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC
- 20 HEALTH'S PROTOCOLS, WHICH WAS IN THE ORDER OF THE COURT AND
- 21 THEY FAILED TO ABIDE BY THAT, WHAT CAN YOU TELL THOSE
- 22 INDIVIDUALS WHEN YOU MEET WITH THEM MORE THAN TO DO WHAT THE
- 23 COURT ORDERED? I MEAN, IT WAS NOT DISCRETIONARY/OPTIONAL. IT
- 24 WAS A MANDATE.



- 1 MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL: WELL, IF THEY ARE HELD IN CONTEMPT OF
- 2 COURT, I MEAN, THEY WOULD BE SANCTIONED FOR NONCOMPLIANCE WITH
- 3 THE COURT ORDER.

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- 5 SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH: WAS IT FOUR DAYS? THEY SHOULD BE
- 6 SANCTIONED. MORE IMPORTANTLY, WHAT ABOUT THE POOR VICTIMS WHO
- 7 WANT TO MOVE BACK TO THEIR HOMES THAT HAVE TO BE CLEANED
- 8 BEFORE THEY CAN MOVE IN?

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- 10 MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL: WE WOULD ARGUE THAT TO THE EXTENT THE
- 11 CLEANING OF THE HOME HAS BEEN DELAYED AS A RESULT OF SO CAL
- 12 GAS'S NONCOMPLIANCE WITH THE COURT ORDER THAT ADDITIONAL TIME
- 13 IS REQUIRED SO THAT THE HOMES COULD BE CLEANED AND THEN THE
- 14 PEOPLE CAN MOVE BACK IN, SO THAT THE INDIVIDUALS, THE
- 15 RESIDENTS GET WHAT THEY WERE ORIGINALLY ENTITLED TO UNDER THE
- 16 ORDER.

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- 18 SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH: HOW COULD WE DO THE CLEANING AND BILL
- 19 THE SOUTHERN CAL GAS FOR THE CLEANING DONE THAT OUR DEPARTMENT
- 20 OF PUBLIC HEALTH WOULD BE RESPONSIBLE FOR?

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- 22 MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL: WELL, AGAIN, SUPERVISOR, IF SO CAL GAS
- 23 IS NONCOMPLIANT, THESE ARE ARGUMENTS WE WOULD MAKE TO THE
- 24 COURT. ALLOW US. ALLOW US --



- 1 SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH: THEY HAVE BEEN NONCOMPLIANT. WHEN
- 2 DOES THE NONCOMPLIANCE RESULT IN A NONCOMPLIANCE?

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- 4 MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL: WE'VE BEEN DISCUSSING WITH THEM THE
- 5 NEED FOR THEM TO FOLLOW THE COURT ORDER YESTERDAY AND TODAY.
- 6 MY UNDERSTANDING IS THAT THEY NOW ARE NOW AGREEING TO DO SO.
- 7 AND IF THAT'S THE CASE, THEN THAT'S GOOD; IF NOT, WE WILL GO
- 8 INTO COURT AND MAKE THE ARGUMENTS THAT ARE REQUIRED.

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- 10 SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH: WHAT ACTIONS HAVE THEY PROVIDED TO
- 11 SHOW YOU AND THE VICTIMS THAT THEY ARE NOW COMPLIANT WITH THE
- 12 COURT ORDER?

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- 14 MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL: WELL, THEIR REPRESENTATIONS... TO
- 15 FOLLOW WHAT THE COURT ORIGINALLY ORDERED AND THEN FOLLOW
- 16 THROUGH. AND IN FACT, THAT IS THE CASE. SO ...

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- 18 SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH: AND WHO ENSURES THAT THAT'S WHAT THEY
- 19 HAVE DONE?

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- 21 MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL: IT WILL BE THE PUBLIC HEALTH MONITORING
- 22 AND THEN THE RESIDENTS ALSO ACKNOWLEDGING THAT IN FACT THEIR
- 23 HOMES HAVE BEEN CLEANED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE ORDER. BUT
- 24 WE'RE MONITORING IT. I MEAN, IT'S HAPPENING ALL IN REAL TIME.



- 1 SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH: IT'S LIKE WE'RE MONITORING A MURDERER
- 2 WHO KEEPS MURDERING PEOPLE INSTEAD OF STOPPING THEIR ILLEGAL
- 3 ACTIVITIES, BECAUSE THEY ARE NOW IN CONTEMPT OF COURT IF THEY
- 4 FAILED TO COMPLY WITH THE COURT ORDER AND IT WAS VERY SIMPLE.
- 5 THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH PROTOCOL WOULD BE FOLLOWED IN THE
- 6 CLAIM. ACCORDING TO SOME OF THE EMAILS WE RECEIVED, THEY HAD
- 7 PEOPLE DOING CLEAN THEY WERE NOT DOING IT ACCORDING TO THE
- 8 PROTOCOL, WHICH WAS SPREADING THE CHEMICALS, ET CETERA, BACK
- 9 IN THAT COMMUNITY OR INTO THAT HOME OR INTO THAT ENVIRONMENT.
- 10 IT WAS STUPID. AND I AM SO FRUSTRATED THAT WE CAN'T JUST GO
- 11 BACK INTO COURT NOW AND SAY A MEDIATOR COME IN AND OVERSEE THE
- 12 CLEANING OR GIVE THAT RESPONSIBILITY TO THE DEPARTMENT OF
- 13 PUBLIC HEALTH AND WE WILL BILL THE SOUTHERN CAL GAS.

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- 15 MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL: WELL, WE MAY BE AT THE POINT WHERE
- 16 THAT'S EXACTLY WHAT WE HAVE TO DO.

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- 18 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: WE NOW HAVE PUBLIC COMMENT. AND WE HAVE
- 19 DIANA BEARD WILLIAMS IN LANCASTER. IS SHE ON THE LINE?

- 21 DR. DIANA BEARD WILLIAMS: THANK YOU FOR THE OPPORTUNITY. I AM
- 22 DIANA BEARD WILLIAMS, AND I'M VERY MELLOW TODAY AS YOU CAN
- 23 TELL. I WANTED TO SAY SOMETHING TO SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH. THE
- 24 FRUSTRATION THAT YOU JUST SHOWED WAS EXCELLENT, AND THAT'S THE
- 25 FRUSTRATION I FEEL FOR HAVING TO WAIT 20 YEARS FOR REDEMPTION.



- 1 I'M WRITING A BOOK WHICH I'M FINISHED AND I AM GOING THROUGH
- 2 CALLED "AN ABSENCE OF HONOR" WHICH TALKS ABOUT HOW THE
- 3 ANTELOPE VALLEY CAME INTO BEING, THE CORRUPTION, THE STEALING,
- 4 THE LAUNDERING OF THE REDEVELOPMENT FUNDS. AND AS SUPERVISOR
- 5 KUEHL SAID, HERE'S THE LIST OF THE ENEMIES. I HAVE THE NAMES.
- 6 AND I HAVE THE PROOF. AND THE REASON WHY I HAVE THE PROOF IS
- 7 BECAUSE A GENTLEMAN BY THE NAME OF PETE KNIGHT TOLD ME ALMOST
- 8 20 YEARS AGO WHEN I MET WITH HIM TO GET ALL OF THE EVIDENCE,
- 9 DIANA, THAT YOU CAN GET. THE G.O.P. IS COMING AFTER YOU, AND
- 10 WHEN THE SMOKE CLEARS IF YOU HAVE THE EVIDENCE, THEN YOU MAY
- 11 BE LEFT STANDING. AND IT'S TAKEN ALL THIS TIME FOR ME TO BE
- 12 LEFT STANDING. I WANT TO SAY TO YOU, I TALKED TO MITCH
- 13 BRUCKNER IN YOUR COURTHOUSE, MIKE, AND MITCH BRUCKNER HAS TOLD
- 14 ME -- AND IT'S OKAY. I TAKE WHAT HE SAID -- THAT YOUR PUBLIC
- 15 DEFENDERS ROLL OVER TO THE JUDGES, DEALS ARE MADE. MITCH
- 16 BRUCKNER TOLD ME THAT. I TALKED TO DIFFERENT PEOPLE IN THE
- 17 AGENCIES AND THEY TELL ME ABOUT THE THEFT OF FUNDS. I TOLD
- 18 EVERYONE NANCY SMITH LAUNDERED OVER A MILLION DOLLARS FROM THE
- 19 PALMDALE SCHOOL DISTRICT 16 YEARS AGO. NOBODY HELPED ME. YOU
- 20 JUST ALLOWED ME TO BE BURIED. I KNOW ABOUT JOHNNY Z. I KNOW
- 21 ABOUT REX. I KNOW ABOUT FRANK. I KNOW ABOUT THE RUNNERS. I
- 22 KNOW ABOUT ALL THE MONEY THAT HAS BEEN STOLEN. I QUESTION THE
- 23 SUICIDE OF ROSE. ALL OF THIS IS COMING OUT OF MY BOOK. BUT I'M
- 24 TIRED, BECAUSE THE ONLY THINGS I CARE ABOUT RIGHT NOW IS
- 25 D.C.F.S. AND WHAT YOU'RE DOING TO THE DEACONS FAMILY AND WHAT



- YOU DID YESTERDAY TO THE MC CORD. BARBARA DALLAS, THEY LIED. I
- 2 WANT TO WALK AWAY. I WANT TO LEAVE THIS PLACE. BUT I WANT MY
- 3 REDEMPTION. AND THAT IS WHAT MY BOOK IS ABOUT.

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5 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU.

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- 7 DR. DIANA BEARD WILLIAMS: AND YOUR D.C.F.S. PEOPLE ARE REALLY
- 8 DESTROYING FAMILIES' LIVES. THANK YOU.

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- 10 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. BYE. WE HAVE OTHER
- 11 SPEAKERS. WE HAVE ELI JOHNSON, JOSE MARTINEZ, ARNOLD SACHS,
- 12 ERIC PREVEN.

- 14 ELI JOHNSON: THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MY NAME'S ELI JOHNSON. I
- 15 GRADUATED MEDICAL SCHOOL TWO YEARS AGO. AND I AM ALSO A
- 16 VETERAN OF THE 10TH MOUNTAIN DIVISION INFANTRY FOR FIVE YEARS.
- 17 I WAS IN THE SECOND OF THE 87TH INFANTRY. AND I JUST WANTED TO
- 18 BRING UP AN ISSUE THAT PROBABLY NOBODY'S REALLY THOUGHT MUCH
- 19 ABOUT BECAUSE IT'S RELATIVELY SMALL IN SCOPE. THAT IS THE FACT
- 20 THAT VETERANS ARE HAVING A REALLY TOUGH TIME GETTING INTO
- 21 MEDICAL SCHOOL AND RESIDENCIES NOW. ONE OF MY MENTORS, STANLEY
- 22 VALENTE, WHO GRADUATED MEDICAL SCHOOL AROUND WORLD WAR II AND
- 23 PRACTICES IN LONG BEACH, IS A FAMILY MEDICINE, INTERNAL
- 24 MEDICINE DOCTOR, HE STATED THAT IT WAS HARD TO GET GOOD
- 25 RESIDENCIES BECAUSE THEY WERE ALL GOING TO VETERANS. TODAY,



- 1 ONLY 13 OF THE 131 MEDICAL SCHOOLS ACCEPT ANY SIGNIFICANT
- 2 AMOUNT OF VETERANS. THEIR RATIONALE FOR THAT IS
- 3 MULTIFACTORIAL, BUT IT'S A DEEP ISSUE. FORTUNATELY WE HAVE
- 4 OSTEOPATHIC SCHOOLS, WHICH THERE ARE ABOUT 40 OF, AND THEY
- 5 GENERALLY ARE VERY OPEN TO VETERANS. SO MOST OF US END UP
- 6 GOING EN MASSE TO THOSE SCHOOLS. I WENT TO TOURO UNIVERSITY BY
- 7 SAN FRANCISCO. WHERE THIS COMES INTO PLAY FOR YOU IS THAT SOME
- 8 OF THE RESIDENCY PHYSICIANS ARE FUNDED BY L.A. COUNTY, AND
- 9 THIS IS AN EXCELLENT PLACE TO TRAIN. I WAS BLESSED TO GET A
- 10 ONE-YEAR INTERNSHIP AT HARBOR-U.C.L.A. I WENT TO LAST YEAR.
- 11 AND IT WAS VERY INTENSE. THE TRAINING WAS EXCELLENT. AND I
- 12 WORKED VERY HARD, AND I RATHER ENJOYED IT. NOW I AM AT A D.O.
- 13 RESIDENCY FINISHING OUT MY EMERGENCY MEDICINE TRAINING AT A
- 14 LEVEL 2 TRAUMA CENTER AT DESERT REGIONAL, AND IT'S ALSO QUITE
- 15 ENJOYABLE. BUT IT WOULD HAVE BEEN PREFERABLE FOR ME TO BE IN
- 16 L.A. AREA BECAUSE I HAVE FAMILY HERE. THAT BEING SAID, I JUST
- 17 WANTED TO BRING UP THE ISSUE OF THERE IS A FORMAL VETERANS
- 18 HIRING PREFERENCE THAT EXTENDS TO PHYSICIANS. AND
- 19 UNFORTUNATELY HIRING MANAGERS THAT ARE INVOLVED WITH RESIDENCY
- 20 HIRING, I WAS TOLD I SHOULD TAKE MY VETERANS STATUS OFF MY
- 21 RESUME TO MAKE MYSELF MORE MARKETABLE. I WAS INFORMED THAT
- 22 SOME PEOPLE THOUGHT MY HONORABLE DISCHARGE WAS A RED FLAG. AND
- 23 THERE HAVE BEEN OTHER INDIVIDUALS THAT I'VE GONE THROUGH THE
- 24 SELECTION PROCESS WITH THAT HAVE STATED THAT THEY'VE HAD
- 25 QUESTIONS ASKED ABOUT THEIR MENTAL STABILITY IN MEDICAL SCHOOL



- 1 AND RESIDENCY. INTERESTINGLY, A 2015 J.A.M.A. PSYCHIATRY
- 2 REPORT ON VETERANS SHOWED THAT IF YOU HAD AN HONORABLE
- 3 DISCHARGE, AND I'M SURE MR. KNABE IS WELL AWARE OF THIS, IF
- 4 YOU HAVE AN HONORABLE DISCHARGE, YOU'RE ACTUALLY MORE STABLE
- 5 THAN THE GENERAL POPULATION, EVEN IF YOU HAVE SEEN COMBAT,
- 6 WHICH IS GREAT. BUT UNFORTUNATELY, THOSE IDEAS ARE PROPAGATING
- 7 ANECDOTALLY THROUGH LOTS OF PARTS OF SOCIETY, INCLUDING
- 8 MEDICINE. I JUST THOUGHT I'D BRING IT TO YOUR ATTENTION AS
- 9 SOMETHING TO LOOK FOR.

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- 11 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. WE'LL HAVE SOMEONE ON STAFF
- 12 TALK WITH YOU.

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- 14 SUP. KNABE: SOMEONE FROM MY STAFF WILL STEP AWAY TO SPEAK WITH
- 15 YOU.

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17 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU.

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- 19 SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH: WHY DON'T WE ASK DR. KATZ AND ALSO
- 20 THE VETERANS COMMISSION TO LOOK INTO THE COMMENTS THAT HE HAD
- 21 MADE RELATIVE, BECAUSE WE DO HAVE A RELATIONSHIP WITH THE
- 22 MEDICAL SCHOOLS. THEY SHOULD BE TREATING EVERYONE EQUALLY. SO
- 23 I'D ASK THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE TO DO THAT.

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25 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?



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- 2 ARNOLD SACHS: YES, THANK YOU. CLARIFICATION PURPOSES, ARNOLD
- 3 SACHS, THE DISCUSSION THAT SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH HAD WITH
- 4 COUNTY COUNSEL, WHAT ITEM WAS THAT REFERRING TO? WHAT ITEM WAS
- 5 THAT COUNTY COUNSEL YOU WERE SO QUICK TO POINT OUT THAT WE'RE
- 6 ON AND OFF THE SUBJECT?

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8 MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL: IT'S A CLOSED SESSION ITEM.

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- 10 ARNOLD SACHS: THAT WASN'T HELD SPECIAL. SO DON'T YOU NEED TO
- 11 HOLD CLOSED SESSION ITEMS SPECIAL TO GET REPORTS BACK ON IT SO
- 12 THAT ARE AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC?

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- 14 MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL: SO CAL GAS IS AN "A" ITEM ON OUR
- 15 BOARD'S AGENDA. AND THE SUPERVISORS ARE ALLOWED TO ASK A
- 16 CERTAIN AMOUNT OF QUESTIONS IN A REPORT BACK CAPACITY, WHICH
- 17 IS THE EXCHANGE THAT WE HAD.

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- 19 ARNOLD SACHS: AND IN THAT CAPACITY, IN THAT EXCHANGE, THAT
- 20 MEANS THE CLOSED SESSION ITEM WOULD STILL BE ALIVE AND PEOPLE
- 21 WOULD BE ABLE TO SPEAK ON IT. IS THAT CORRECT? [SILENCE.] IS
- 22 THAT CORRECT?

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24 MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL: YOU ALREADY SPOKE ON HELD ITEMS, SIR.



1 **ARNOLD SACHS:** EXCUSE ME?

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- 3 MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL: YOU WERE ALREADY CALLED UP TO SPEAK ON
- 4 YOUR HELD ITEMS.

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- 6 ARNOLD SACHS: I'M NOT REFERRING TO ME, MA'AM. I'M NOT
- 7 REFERRING TO ME. I'M SAYING SPEAKERS WOULD BE ALLOWED TO SPEAK
- 8 ON THAT ITEM IF THEY SIGNED UP FOR IT AND IT WAS STILL
- 9 AVAILABLE TO BE SPOKEN ON. AND AS SUPERVISOR --

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- 11 MARY WICKHAM, COUNSEL: THOSE ITEMS HAVE ALREADY BEEN CALLED UP
- 12 AND ADDRESSED.

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- 14 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: IF PEOPLE WISH TO SPEAK ON THE ITEM, THEY
- 15 CAN SPEAK ON PUBLIC COMMENT. THEY CAN SIGN UP. OKAY, SO,
- 16 WHAT'S YOUR POINT?

- 18 ARNOLD SACHS: NOT ON THE ITEM. BUT PUBLIC COMMENT IS FOR ITEMS
- 19 THAT AREN'T ON THE AGENDA. THAT IS AN ITEM THAT IS ON THE
- 20 AGENDA AND HAS BEEN AGENDIZED. THAT'S THE RULES. AND IF YOU
- 21 HAVE TO EXPLAIN IT TO THE COUNTY COUNSEL, THEN WHY DOES COUNTY
- 22 COUNSEL HAVE THE AUDACITY TO TELL PEOPLE WHAT THEY ARE ALLOWED
- 23 TO SPEAK ON AND WHAT THEY'RE NOT ALLOWED TO SPEAK ON? I'D LIKE
- 24 TO KNOW HOW DEBRA FOX, WHAT SHE'S DOING, AND HOW SHE GOT TO BE
- 25 THE ATTORNEY FOR THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. AND SUPERVISOR



- 1 ANTONOVICH IS CONCERNED, HIS FRUSTRATION. HE CAN GO HOME AND
- 2 COUNT THE MONEY HE MADE ON THE DEVELOPMENT AT PORTER RANCH. HE
- 3 PROBABLY CLEARED CLOSE TO \$500 MILLION.

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5 SUP. MICHAEL ANTONOVICH: L.A. CITY.

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- 7 ARNOLD SACHS: IT WAS L.A. CITY. SO WHY DON'T YOU GET L.A. CITY
- 8 IN HERE? NO ON JANICE HAHN. NO ON MITCH ENGLANDER. L.A. CITY.
- 9 SO WHY ARE WE TALKING ABOUT THE GAS COMPANY?

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- 11 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: WE HAVE JOSE MARTINEZ, ERIC PREVEN, DARRYL
- 12 CRUZ, RUTH SARNOFF.

- 14 ERIC PREVEN: SORRY. IT IS ERIC PREVEN. I GOT A LITTLE TANGLED
- 15 UP THERE IN MR. SACHS'S CHAIR. OBVIOUSLY MR. SACHS IS CORRECT,
- 16 AND THIS BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, UNDER THE COUNTY COUNSEL, WHO
- 17 IS A VERY NICE PERSON, ARE HAVING SOME ISSUES WITH THE BROWN
- 18 ACT. IF YOU DIDN'T SEE THE NEWSPAPER, SUPERVISOR KUEHL, THERE
- 19 WAS AN ARTICLE BY ABBIE SEWELL ABOUT MARK SALADINO, WHO WAS
- 20 THE FORMER COUNTY COUNSEL, WHO IS MAKING ALL SORTS OF WILD
- 21 ALLEGATIONS. ACTUALLY HE'S ALLEGING THAT THE BOARD VIOLATED
- 22 THE BROWN ACT. SO THAT IS A LITTLE BIT EMBARRASSING. HE CAN
- 23 JOIN THE CHORUS OF RESIDENTS AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO
- 24 FEEL THAT WAY. THIS MORNING AS I ARRIVED TO THE BUILDING, I
- 25 NEARLY COLLIDED WITH ONE OF THE GREAT FORMER PUBLIC WORKS GUYS



- 1 NAMED DAVID HOWARD. DAVID HAS JUMPED ABOARD WITH SACHI HAMAI
- 2 OVER AT C.E.O. HE HAS BEEN PARKED ON THE AGENDA AT C.S.-4 FOR
- 3 VIRTUALLY A MONTH AS ONE OF THE TOP COUNTY NEGOTIATORS. NOW
- 4 FOR SOME REASON, THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DISPATCHED HIM EARLY
- 5 SAYING WE'RE DONE. AND I SAID, WHAT DO YOU MEAN WE'RE DONE?
- 6 AREN'T YOU ON C.S.-4 TODAY? AND HE LOOKED AT ME LIKE, WHO ARE
- 7 YOU? AND THEN THEY ALL LEFT. SO WHAT IS THE READ-OUT ON C.S.-
- 8 4? OH, IT'S NOT ON TODAY'S AGENDA? OKAY, WELL, IT WAS ON --
- 9 ARE YOU SURE? OKAY. WELL, IT'S BEEN ON MULTIPLE AGENDAS
- 10 RECENTLY. OH, THEY TOOK IT OFF THE AGENDA. WELL, THANK YOU. I
- 11 APPRECIATE YOUR ATTENTION TO DETAIL THERE. BUT I WAS CERTAINLY
- 12 CONFUSED. AND I DO THINK THAT TRADITIONALLY THE BOARD OF
- 13 SUPERVISORS LIKES A GOOD CLOSED SESSION WHEN THEY SEE ONE, AND
- 14 YET THE PUBLIC IS OFTEN LEFT COMPLETELY IN THE DARK AS TO WHAT
- 15 IS GOING ON. AND I ALSO THINK THAT WE'VE SEEN AT THE END OF
- 16 THE MEETING IN THE PUBLIC COMMENT AND JUST BEFORE DURING THE
- 17 ADJOURNMENTS, WE HAVE SEEN TYPICALLY FROM MAYOR ANTONOVICH,
- 18 BUT OTHERS, AS WELL, LOTS OF DROPPING IN ITEMS AND THEN
- 19 DENYING COMMENT. I HAVE SOME SPECIFIC EXAMPLES. AND FINALLY,
- 20 PLEASE, SUPERVISOR SOLIS, YOU'RE THE -- HERE. TAKE THAT DOWN
- 21 THAT AUDIO RECORDING AT THE BEGINNING OF THE MEETING. THE GUY
- 22 FROM THE MIGRAINE SCHOOL WAS APPALLED. EVERYBODY'S APPALLED.
- 23 THERE IS NOT PEOPLE JUMPING UP AND TRYING TO THROW BANANAS AT
- 24 YOU.



1 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU.

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3 ERIC PREVEN: WE'RE JUST TRYING TO GIVE COMMENTS. THANK YOU.

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- 5 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU FOR NOT THROWING BANANAS. NEXT
- 6 SPEAKER.

- 8 RUTH SARNOFF: RUTH SARNOFF. I JUST GOT THE LATEST EDITION OF
- 9 "THE DOWNTOWN NEWS." AND THAT HAS DONE WHAT IT DID LAST YEAR
- 10 AT THIS SAME TIME ON MAY 18TH WHEN IT LISTED THE 90 PROJECTS
- 11 FOR GENTRIFYING THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES WITH EMPHASIS ON THE
- 12 DOWNTOWN AREA. AND NOW WE HAVE ANOTHER COPY FOLLOWING ALL OF
- 13 IT. AND I WOULD URGE YOU TO READ IT. I WOULD ALSO URGE YOU TO
- 14 THINK OF THE FACT IN PUTTING SUSTAINABILITY TOGETHER WITH
- 15 GENTRIFICATION. LET'S LOOK AT IT FOR A MINUTE. NUMBER 1, THESE
- 16 ARE BASICALLY MANSIONS IN THE SKY. THAT'S WHAT THEY ARE. AND
- 17 THEY ARE -- DO NOT HOUSE LOTS AND LOTS OF PEOPLE. AND THEY USE
- 18 HARDWOOD LIKE FROM INDONESIA. THEY USE STEEL. STEEL IS MADE
- 19 FROM IRON AND COAL, AND WE'RE TRYING TO PHASE OUT COAL AND
- 20 MINING. MINING HAS -- IS SERIOUS IN TERMS OF THE COLORADO
- 21 RIVER BECAUSE OF MINING ACCIDENTS AND DUMPING OF STUFF INTO
- 22 THE COLORADO RIVER. WE HAVE FORESTS THAT NOW CAN BE LOOKED AT
- 23 WITH THE SPECTRUM THAT YOU HAVE FROM OUTER SPACE WHEN YOU'RE
- 24 LOOKING AT WHAT ARE THESE STARS COMPOSED OF OR PLANETS AND SO
- 25 FORTH. YOU CAN DO THE SAME THING NOW ON FORESTS AND THEY'RE



- 1 DOING IT AND THEY'RE FINDING NOT JUST DEAD TREES BUT THEY'RE
- 2 FINDING ALL THE DYING TREES. AND IT'S THE DYING TREES AND THE
- 3 BEETLES AND IT'S SWEEPING MASSIVELY. WE HAVE TO LOOK AT
- 4 SUSTAINABILITY, THE BIG PICTURE, AND ASK OURSELVES HOW WE'RE
- 5 GOING GET THE HOMELESS OFF IF WE DON'T DO SOMETHING
- 6 DIFFERENTLY.

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8 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU. NEXT SPEAKER?

- 10 DARRYL CRUZ: THANK YOU. I'M DARRYL CRUZ, AND INDEED, WHEN DOES
- 11 NONCOMPLIANCE RESULT IN NONCOMPLIANCE. ARE YOU GOING TO
- 12 ENFORCE THE DISPENSARY BAN? 2006-2009 I USED TO CONTACT JOSEPH
- 13 DANGERFIELD IN THE BUSINESS LICENSE OFFICE. I WOULD ASK ABOUT
- 14 THE LICENSED STATUS OF A PARTICULAR BUSINESS. HE WOULD SAY
- 15 THEY HAD NO LICENSE. THEY WOULD GET RID OF MOST QUICKLY. YOU
- 16 REPLACED HIM A FEW TIMES SINCE HIS RETIREMENT. YOU PLACED A
- 17 BAN ON DISPENSARIES IN NOVEMBER OF 2010. 2014, A NEW GUY WAS
- 18 AT THE BUSINESS LICENSE, AND HE DOES NOT KNOW ABOUT THE BAN.
- 19 BUT HE TOLD PROSPECTIVE APPLICANTS THE BUSINESS PROCEDURES FOR
- 20 OBTAINING A BUSINESS LICENSE. WHEN HE GOT THE LIST OF
- 21 ADDRESSES FROM OPERATING DISPENSARIES FROM THE COUNTY SHERIFF,
- 22 HE SENT OUT LETTERS OFFERING LICENSES. ONE YEAR AGO IN MAY
- 23 2015, I CALLED RICK VELASOUEZ IN DON KNABE'S OFFICE AND
- 24 EVENTUALLY HE RETURNED MY CALL. I EXPLAINED THERE WAS NO
- 25 ENFORCEMENT. HE SAID THEY ENFORCE. I GAVE HIM THE ADDRESSES OF



- 1 OPERATING DISPENSARIES. HE DENIED THEIR EXISTENCE. HE SAID
- 2 "DISPENSARIES ARE IN DISTRICT 1. IN DISTRICT 4, WE ENFORCE." I
- 3 VERIFIED THE ADDRESSES WERE IN DISTRICT 4, AND I CALLED RICK
- 4 BACK. RICK DID NOT RETURN MY CALLS. A MEETING WAS SCHEDULED
- 5 WITH RICK AND ANGIE IN THE ROWLAND HEIGHTS FIELD OFFICE, BUT
- 6 NOBODY SHOWED UP. IN NOVEMBER I CAME HERE. RICK CONTINUED TO
- 7 INSIST THEY DON'T EXIST. I INSISTED HE MEET ME AT THOSE
- 8 DISPENSARIES. AFTER BEING TOLD TO LEAVE FROM THE SECOND
- 9 DISPENSARY WE VISITED, HE SAID HE WOULD ENFORCE. BOTH OF THOSE
- 10 DISPENSARIES OPERATE TODAY. ONE OF THOSE DISPENSARIES AT THE
- 11 LOCATION WHERE RICK INTRODUCED HIMSELF AS ACTING ON YOUR
- 12 BEHALF IN MAY OF 2005, HE INDICATED HE MADE A DEAL WITH THE
- 13 OTHER DISPENSARY AND WOULD LIKE TO MAKE A DEAL WITH US WHERE
- 14 WE WOULD NOT OPERATE OUR DISPENSARY UNTIL YOU COME UP WITH
- 15 REGULATIONS AND YOU WOULD WORK WITH US. IN MAY OF 2005, THE
- 16 OTHER OPERATOR..

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18 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: TIME IS EXPIRED.

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- 20 DARRYL CRUZ: ..CONTINUED TO OPERATE. DON KNABE SAID HE WAS
- 21 ABSOLUTELY OUTRAGED AND THEY WERE DISINGENUOUS AND THEY BROKE
- 22 THE AGREEMENT.

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24 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU.



1 SUP. KNABE: THERE WAS NO DEAL MADE, NUMBER ONE. NUMBER 2, WE

2 ARE ON IT.

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- 4 DARRYL CRUZ: WE CEASED OPERATING. YOU HELD THE ACTIONS OF THAT
- 5 ONE OPERATOR AGAINST US. YOU WORKED AGAINST US.

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- 7 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: THANK YOU, SIR. TIME IS EXPIRED. WHEN
- 8 WE'RE ON TIME, EVERYONE HAS A LIMIT. NO, NO, NO, NO. WE HAVE
- 9 DEBRA POLI, JOSE MARTINEZ, MICHAEL HUNT, RITA BRANCH. GO
- 10 AHEAD, MA'AM.

- 12 **DEBRA POLI:** YES, HI, I'M DEBRA POLI, AND I CAME TO THE BOARD.
- 13 I SENT EVERYBODY A NOTICE, ALL BOARD MEMBERS, TO LET THEM KNOW
- 14 THAT I HAD REQUESTED A LEAVE OF ABSENCE UNTIL JUNE THE 1ST,
- 15 AND I DIDN'T HEAR FROM ANYBODY. BUT YESTERDAY I RECEIVED A
- 16 NOTICE THAT I HAD RESIGNED. I DID NOT RESIGN. I REQUESTED A
- 17 LEAVE OF ABSENCE BECAUSE OF MY MOTHER'S ILLNESS, WHICH HAS
- 18 ESCALATED. I HAVE DOCUMENTS FROM THE DOCTORS SAYING THAT MY
- 19 MOTHER NOW NEEDS 24/7 SERVICES, AND ALSO I HAVE A MEETING WITH
- 20 THE SOCIAL WORKER TOMORROW SO THAT WE CAN TRY TO ACCOMMODATE
- 21 MY MOM'S NEEDS. SO I HAVEN'T BEEN OFF OF WORK JUST MESSING
- 22 AROUND, BUT I'M ACTUALLY SAYING THAT I WORK FOR AN AGENCY THAT
- 23 SAYS THAT WE'RE SUPPOSED TO LOOK OUT FOR OUR SENIORS, LOOK OUT
- 24 FOR THE YOUTH. I'M OBLIGATED BY LAW AS A 37-YEAR OF SERVICE
- 25 CIVIL-SERVICE EMPLOYEE, BUT WHEN I HAVE PROBLEMS IN MY OWN



- 1 FAMILY, I AM ACTUALLY ATTACKED. AND THIS DOESN'T MAKE SENSE TO
- 2 ME. BUT I'M COMING TO ASK YOU GUYS TODAY, I REQUESTED A LETTER
- 3 FOR CLARITY. I TOLD MY DIRECTOR. I MET WITH HIM, AND TO THIS
- 4 DATE I HAVEN'T RECEIVED ANYTHING. THIS NOTICE WAS DATED LAST
- 5 MONTH THAT I RESIGNED. BUT I JUST GOT IT YESTERDAY, 30 DAYS
- 6 LATER. I REQUESTED TO GO BACK TO WORK JUNE THE 1ST. THIS IS A
- 7 WEEK BEFORE I'M TO RETURN TO WORK. I NEED TO KNOW WHAT AM I
- 8 SUPPOSED TO DO? I DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO. I NEED TO GO BACK TO
- 9 WORK. I WAS ONLY TAKING CARE OF MY MOTHER. AND THIS DOESN'T
- 10 MAKE SENSE THAT I HAVE TO COME HERE AND SPEAK -- PUBLIC SPEAK
- 11 ABOUT MY PRIVATE LIFE BECAUSE THIS AGENCY HAS NOT LISTENED TO
- 12 ME. I SENT YOU GUYS ALL THE NOTICE. I HAVE THE LETTERS THAT
- 13 WENT TO H.R. I HAVE THE RECEIPT THAT SAY SHE ASKED FOR THE
- 14 DATE. I GAVE HER THE DATE. I SAID JUNE THE 1ST I WILL RETURN.
- 15 I'M MEETING WITH SOCIAL WORKERS. I'M MEETING WITH DOCTORS. MY
- 16 MOTHER WAS ON HOSPICE. MY MOTHER IS DOING BETTER NOW. SHE'S
- 17 NOT GOING TO LIVE FOREVER, BUT THE TIME SHE'S HERE, SHE HAS A
- 18 RIGHT TO BE HAVING PEACE AND JOY AND A LITTLE HAPPINESS. THIS
- 19 DOESN'T MAKE SENSE.

- 21 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: MA'AM, SOMEONE WILL TALK TO YOU OFF TO THE
- 22 SIDE HERE. WE'LL GET SOMEONE TO LOOK INTO THAT. THANK YOU. THE
- 23 EXECUTIVE OFFICE WILL HANDLE IT IF THE D.P.S.S. ISN'T HERE.
- 24 OKAY. NEXT SPEAKER, PLEASE. STATE YOUR NAME FOR THE RECORD,
- 25 MA'AM.



- 2 RITA BRANCH: I'M RITA BRANCH, AND I'M COMING BEFORE YOU GUYS
- 3 BECAUSE I HAVE BEEN TRYING -- MY SON HAS DISABILITIES, AND HIS
- 4 SCHOOL, THE CHARTER SCHOOL, THE PRINCIPAL HAS JUST BLOCKED ME
- 5 FOR THE I.E.P. THEY QUIT DOING ANYTHING FROM HIM. MY SON HAS
- 6 THE RUN OF THAT SCHOOL. I'VE CALLED JOSE UP, CALLED GUTIERREZ,
- 7 L.A.U.S.D. I HAVE EMAILED HIM. I HAVE SPOKEN TO ROBERT THE
- 8 ADMINISTRATOR UP UNDER HIM WHO IS THE COORDINATOR. NONE OF
- 9 THOSE GUYS. I'VE BEEN TALKED TO RUDELY AND BADLY. MY SON IS
- 10 RUNNING AMOK AFTER SCHOOL. I HAVE ASKED FOR CALLS. I HAVE
- 11 ASKED FOR THEM TO SEND AN AIDE FOR HIM. AND I AM BEING DENIED
- 12 WITH AN I.E.P. I WAS TOLD IF I DIDN'T SIGN THE I.E.P. FOR THE
- 13 STUFF THAT I ASKED FOR, I WOULD BE BLOCKED. SO I'VE BEEN
- 14 BLOCKED. I'VE BEEN DEALING WITH THEM SINCE LAST YEAR. HERE WE
- 15 ARE. THE SCHOOL YEAR IS ABOUT TO BE OUT, AND MY SON STILL HAS
- 16 NOT BEEN SERVICED. I CALLED ANGELA KAUFMAN FROM L.A. CITY
- 17 DISABILITY TO ASK HER SINCE DECEMBER 2015. I HAVE NOT GOTTEN
- 18 ONE CALL FROM HER BACK YET. AT ALL. EVERYBODY HAS FAILED ME. I
- 19 HAVE CALLED ALL OF YOU, L.A.U.S.D., TO SPEAK TO THEM ABOUT MY
- 20 SON. MY SON HAS DISABILITIES, AND THEY ARE STILL IGNORING HIM.
- 21 I WAS EVEN TOLD, WHY DON'T I GIVE HIM MEDICINE? IS HE ON
- 22 MEDICINE? HE STANDS -- HE HAS A SIZE 8 SHOE, HE STANDS 4'9",
- 23 AND HE'S SITTING IN A CHAIR THIS SMALL. HE SLUMPS OVER. HE
- 24 ALREADY HAS CEREBRAL PALSY. WHAT ELSE DO I HAVE TO BEG FOR? MY
- 25 SON NEEDS A TABLE. HE HAS OTHER DISABILITIES. THEY KNOW HE



- 1 GETS AGGRAVATED AND PLACED OUT OF CLASS EVERY DAY. I COULD
- 2 WALK INTO THAT OFFICE AT ANY GIVEN TIME AND SEE MY SON SITTING
- 3 THERE. I HAVE DOCUMENTED EVERY MONTH. SINCE IT STARTED. HE'S
- 4 OUT OF HIS CLASSROOM FOR THREE TO TWO WEEKS AT A TIME. HE
- 5 NEVER GOES BACK TO HIS CLASSROOM. WHERE IS HIS HOMEWORK? I
- 6 HAVE PROBLEMS. THE PRINCIPAL IS A YES PERSON, AND WHEN I
- 7 LEAVE, SHE DOES NOTHING.

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- 9 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: MA'AM, SOMEBODY FROM THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE
- 10 WILL TAKE YOUR CONCERNS, AND WE'LL SEND THEM ON TO L.A.U.S.D.,
- 11 BECAUSE THIS IS L.A. COUNTY OFFICE OF ED. THIS IS A CHARTER
- 12 SCHOOL, AND IT'S IN L.A. UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT'S
- 13 JURISDICTION. SO, WE'LL TRY TO HELP YOU IN THAT MANNER.

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- 15 RITA BRANCH: WHAT ABOUT THE CITY FOR HIS DISABILITY? I'VE BEEN
- 16 CALLING FOR THAT, ALSO.

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- 18 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: RIGHT. BUT THAT'S IN PART THEIR
- 19 RESPONSIBILITY. SO, PLEASE MEET WITH OUR STAFF OFF TO THE
- 20 FLOOR OVER THERE. THANK YOU.

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22 RITA BRANCH: THANK YOU VERY MUCH.

- 24 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: OKAY, AGAIN I'M CALLING MICHAEL HUNT AND
- 25 JOSE MARTINEZ.



- 2 MICHAEL HUNT: THAT'S BETTER KNOWN AS THE RED CHIEF HUNT,
- 3 SHOULD BE THE NAME ON THE CARD. I'M A STICKLER FOR THE FIRST
- 4 AMENDMENT AND THE BROWN ACT. I DON'T KNOW IF YOU GUYS HAVE
- 5 EVER SEEN ME IN ACTION, BUT I DO GET VERY ACTION AND VERY
- 6 CAUTIOUS ABOUT THE BROWN ACT. SO, PLEASE CALL ME THE RED CHIEF
- 7 HUNT. THERE'S ANOTHER PROBLEM THAT I'M REALLY CONCERNED ABOUT
- 8 IS D.C.F.S. IN 2007, ME AND DR. HERSHEL SWINGER WAS TO CORRECT
- 9 THE PROBLEM WHERE THE STAFF WAS TRAINED IN THINGS LIKE THAT.
- 10 HERE'S MY RECOMMENDATION FOR THIS PROGRAM. WE DO HAVE THE
- 11 MANUALS, AND DR. RONALD BANKS OVER AT THE CHILDREN'S INSTITUTE
- 12 HAS THE MANUAL. I REQUEST THAT HE START TRAINING AS IF DR.
- 13 HERSHEL SWINGER WAS THERE. THAT'S HIS PREDECESSOR. AND I WANT
- 14 TO DO AN ASSESSMENT ON THAT EVERY 90 DAYS. D.C.F.S. IS DEAR TO
- 15 ME. I WATCHED ANITA BALK AND I WATCHED SANDERS AND I WATCHED A
- 16 LOT OF OTHER PEOPLE, BUT DR. HERSHEL SWINGER IS LIKE MY
- 17 FATHER, SO I WANT THAT PROBLEM CORRECTED RIGHT AWAY AND I WANT
- 18 TRAINING IN THERE EVERY 90 DAYS. AND THEN ON ANOTHER BEHALF,
- 19 I'D LIKE TO THANK KELLY EMILY, THE DEPUTY DISTRICT DEPUTY
- 20 CHIEF PUBLIC DEFENDER, FOR HER OUTSTANDING SERVICES. AT THIS
- 21 TIME I WOULD LIKE FOR YOU ALL STAND UP AND GIVE HER A ROUND OF
- 22 APPLAUSE FOR WORKING WITH YOU, BECAUSE I'M VERY COMPLICATED.
- 23 [APPLAUSE.] THAT'S ALL I NEED TO SAY. I'M VERY SERIOUS ABOUT
- 24 THAT. SHE KEPT ME OUT OF HERE WITH THAT RED CHIEF HUNT SUIT
- 25 ON. YOU GUYS DON'T LIKE THAT. SO YOU GUYS REALLY NEED TO GO

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- 1 GIVE HER A COMPLIMENT AND A THANKS FOR KEEPING ME OUT OF HERE
- 2 WITH THAT, BECAUSE IT COULD BE THE OTHER WAY AROUND. I COULD
- 3 BE ON THE FRONT PAGE OF THE L.A. TIMES, AND THE RED CHIEF HUNT
- 4 DON'T LIKE THAT. LISTEN TO WHAT I'M SAYING. GIVE HER A
- 5 COMMENDATION. SHE'S DONE A REALLY GOOD JOB. THANKS YOU, KELLY.
- 6 THANK YOU FOR BEING THERE FOR ME, AND THANK YOU FOR NOT
- 7 LETTING ME GO. AND LIKE I SAID, THE D.C.S. POLICY NEEDS TO BE
- 8 FIXED RIGHT AWAY. CALL DR. RONALD BANKS AND START TRAINING.

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HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: WE HAVE OSCAR MOHAMMED AND MARY JACOBS.

13 THE POLICY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN'S SERVICES WHERE THEY

MARY JACOBS: I WOULD LIKE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO CONSIDER

- 15 IMMEDIATELY PREPARE IT TO BE EITHER ADOPTED OR PUT IN FOSTER

TAKE THE BABY, THE INFANTS, RIGHT FROM THE NEW MOTHER AND

- 16 CARE. THERE'S A PENDING CASE, AND I DON'T KNOW IF I CAN NAME
- 17 HER, BUT SHE'S IN YOUR DISTRICT, SUPERVISOR KUEHL, AND SHE
- 18 JUST HAD A NEWBORN BABY AND HER CHILDREN ARE BEING TAKEN AWAY
- 19 FROM HER UNDER FALSE PRETENSES, I BELIEVE. SHE'S HIRED
- 20 ATTORNEYS FOR TENS OF THOUSANDS OF DOLLARS, HER OWN PEOPLE TO
- 21 TAKE CARE OF THE OBSERVATIONS BECAUSE THE MONITORS THAT THE
- 22 COUNTY PROVIDED, SHE FELT WERE LYING. AND THERE ARE CASES OF
- 23 CORRUPTION THAT ARE JUST -- JUST REQUIRE SOME -- STUNNING,
- 24 OKAY, BECAUSE WE'RE SPENDING LOTS OF MONEY OF OUR TAXES TO PAY
- 25 FOR THESE CHILDREN TO BASICALLY BE STOLEN. AND I DON'T LIKE



- 1 DOING THAT, OKAY? ANYWAY, THIS CHILD IS IN CEDARS-SINAI. HE
- 2 WAS BORN A WEEK AGO, AND I TOLD HER, GO BE A COW. YOU KNOWK,
- 3 GIVE IT MILK. TELL THESE PEOPLE THAT A BABY INFANT DESERVES AT
- 4 LEAST A YEAR, AT LEAST A YEAR OF NURSING INSTEAD OF PUTTING IT
- 5 ON FORMULA AND MAKING THIS POOR CHILD THAT'S ALREADY IN
- 6 NEONATAL TO BE EVEN LESS HEALTHY. THE MAN NEXT TO ME LAST WEEK
- 7 WHO WAS TALKING ABOUT HOMELESS PEOPLE SAID MOST OF THE
- 8 HOMELESS KIDS WERE IN FOSTER CARE. MOST OF THE ADOPTED KIDS
- 9 GROW UP WONDERING WHY MY MOM DIDN'T LIKE ME. DON'T BE A PARTY
- 10 TO STEALING CHILDREN AWAY FROM PEOPLE WHO LOVE THEIR KIDS. I
- 11 MAY BE, BY THE WAY, IN THAT FAMILY, BECAUSE MY HUSBAND IS
- 12 POSSIBLY THE FATHER. SO I HAVE AN INTEREST IN MAKING SURE THAT
- 13 BABY GETS GOOD CARE. PLEASE, THINK ABOUT WHAT YOU'RE DOING
- 14 WHEN YOU STEAL KIDS AWAY FROM THE MOMS.

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16 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: OSCAR MOHAMMED?

- 18 OSCAR MHOMMED: YEAH, I HEAR THE WORD HOMELESS. IT SEEM LIKE
- 19 HOMELESS IS A WORD OF STIGMA, YOU KNOW, LIKE BLACK FOLK, WE
- 20 CARRY STIGMA WITH US. WE'RE THE FAILURE IN SOCIETY SO THAT WE
- 21 LOOK LIKE A BEAST OF BURDEN. ALL THE PROBLEM IS POINTED TO THE
- 22 BLACK PEOPLE. BUT ANYWAY, THE AFRICAN WAS HERE FIRST, THE
- 23 MUSLIM FROM LIBERIA WAS FIRST, THE ISRAELITES CAME SECOND, AND
- 24 THE EUROPEANS CAME THIRD. THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION OF
- 25 LIBERIA, THE UNITED STATES CONSTITUTION OF AMERICA ARE THE



- 1 SAME BOOKS. THE MUSLIMS STARTED THIS COUNTRY, AND THE FOUNDING
- 2 FATHERS CANNOT BE ORDERED. IF WE HAD WENT STRAIGHT, BUT
- 3 SOMETIME WE STRAYED OFF AND WENT IN THE WRONG DIRECTION. BUT
- 4 ANYWAY, NO GROUP, NO RACE SHOULD HAVE AUTHORITY OVER ANOTHER
- 5 RACE. THAT'S WHAT THE CONSTITUTION SAID, AND WHOEVER GOD SAID
- 6 IS A RACIST, HE SHOULD HAVE NO AUTHORITY OVER BLACK PEOPLES.
- 7 EVERYBODY SAYS STAY IN BEVERLY HILLS AND MOVE BLACK PEOPLE OFF
- 8 SKID ROW. GIVE THE HOMELESS PEOPLE TICKET AND A LUNCH BAG AND
- 9 SEND THEM BACK TO WHERE THEY CAME FROM. BUT THAT TYPE OF WAY,
- 10 HE WOULD LOSE TOO MUCH REVENUES, BECAUSE THE REVENUES ARE
- 11 SEVERELY AND GROSSLY MISMANAGEMENT. WE GOT INACCOUNTABILITY
- 12 AND WITHOUT ANY CHECKS. WE SHOULD STOP POLICE BRUTALITY, LOS
- 13 ANGELES POLICEMEN SHOOTING BLACK PEOPLE IN THE HEAD, IN THE
- 14 BACK, UNARMED PEOPLE. THERE'S NO ACCOUNTABILITY AND THERE'S NO
- 15 CONSEQUENCE OF THEIR ACTION IN CRIMINAL COURT. AND THERE'S NO
- 16 CRIMINAL COURT. AMERICA WOULD BE A MUCH BETTER LAND IF WE
- 17 COULD LIVE BY THE CONSTITUTION THAT GOVERNED US. BUT, ANYWAY,
- 18 THE CHRISTIANITY IS THE NUMBER-ONE LARGER RELIGION IN AMERICA
- 19 AND ISLAM IS THE SECOND LARGEST RELIGION IN AMERICA. THE IMAM
- 20 IN CHICAGO IS THE LEADER OVER 2-1/2 MILLION AFRICAN-AMERICANS
- 21 IN AMERICA. BUT THE MUSLIM, AFRICAN-AMERICAN MUSLIM IS RICH.
- 22 THEY ARE VERY RICH. BUT AFRICAN-AMERICANS PEOPLE IN
- 23 CHRISTIANITY IS VERY, VERY POOR. THEY DON'T PRODUCE NOTHING IT
- 24 LOOKS LIKE. IT LOOKS LIKE JUST ANOTHER TO BRING MORE MONEY SO
- 25 I CAN KEEP UP MY EXTRAVAGANT LIFESTYLE.



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- 2 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: MEMBERS, WE ARE GOING TO GO TO LANCASTER.
- 3 WE HAVE MICHAEL JENKINS ON THE LINE.

- 5 MICHAEL JENKINS: HELLO, BOARD MEMBERS. EVANGELIST AND ACTIVIST
- 6 MICHAEL JENKINS AGAIN COMING TO TALK TO YOU ALL ABOUT WHAT'S
- 7 GOING ON IN THIS ANTELOPE VALLEY PLANTATION. OKAY, I ASK YOU
- 8 ALL TO GO TO MY ACTIVIST'S SITE, DR. DIANA BEARD, B.E.A.R.D.,
- 9 WILLIAMS, OR DIANA BEARD WILLIAMS, B.E.A.R.D., AND IT WILL
- 10 EXPLAIN TO YOU EVERYTHING THAT'S GOING ON IN THIS PLANTATION.
- 11 IT'S NOT THE ANTELOPE VALLEY ANYMORE. IT'S THE ANTELOPE VALLEY
- 12 PLANTATION. MIKE ANTONOVICH, YOU KNOW THIS. MIKE ANTONOVICH,
- 13 YOU KNOW DR. WILLIAMS. YOU KNOW THAT SHE HAS CONNECTIONS. YOU
- 14 KNOW THAT SHE'S BEEN HERE FOR 30 YEARS PLUS AND WHAT SHE CAN
- 15 DO. YOU KNOW THAT SHE KNOWS ALL ABOUT WHERE THE BODIES ARE
- 16 BURIED. HER BOOK IS COMING OUT, SO, "ABSENCE OF HONOR." IT HAS
- 17 YOU IN IT. IT HAS A LOT OF PEOPLE IN IT, MIKE ANTONOVICH.
- 18 OKAY. THAT'S ENOUGH ABOUT THAT. NOW WE GOT A FEW MORE SECONDS
- 19 ABOUT WHAT HAPPENED AT THE COURTHOUSE YESTERDAY. IT WAS A
- 20 TRAGEDY. D.C.F.S. WROTE UP A LOT OF LIES ABOUT ME, WROTE UP A
- 21 LOT OF THINGS ABOUT ME. THE JUDGE DIDN'T WANT TO HEAR IT. IT'S
- 22 NOT FAIR. BUT THEN I'M NOT GOING TO CRY ABOUT THAT. I'M JUST
- 23 GOING TO KEEP FIGHTING FOR MY GRANDDAUGHTER, MIKE ANTONOVICH.
- 24 I'M GOING TO KEEP FIGHTING UNTIL I GET MY GRANDDAUGHTER THAT'S
- 25 ILL. I SAW THINGS ON THE REPORT YESTERDAY THAT MADE ME WANT TO



- 1 CRY. ALL I ASKED WAS FOR YOU TO HELP ME. I SEE YOU, MIKE.
- 2 YOU'RE NOT GOING TO HELP ME, OKAY. I HAVE TO DO THIS ON MY
- 3 OWN. OKAY, MY SPECIAL NEEDS SON, I HAVE TO TAKE CARE OF HIM ON
- 4 MY OWN, MIKE. I ASKED FOR YOUR HELP. I'M NOT GETTING IT.
- 5 THAT'S FINE, MIKE. GO AHEAD AND TERM OUT. DO WHAT YOU DO BEST.
- 6 HIDE BEHIND A ROCK, MIKE. THAT'S WHAT YOU DO BEST, MIKE
- 7 ANTONOVICH. TERM OUT, HIDE BEHIND THE ROCK THAT YOU'RE
- 8 SUPPOSED TO BEHIND, OKAY? I'M GOING DO THIS. I'M GOING GET MY
- 9 GRANDDAUGHTER.

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- 11 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: TIME'S EXPIRED. THANK YOU. WE HAVE TERRY
- 12 SIGMUND, ZAN SIGMUND, LES SIGMUND, AND HERMAN HERMAN. GO
- 13 AHEAD, MA'AM.

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- 15 TERRY SIGMUND: FIRST OF ALL, I'D LIKE TO ADDRESS THE ISSUE
- 16 THAT WHEN WE CAME HERE LAST, YOU SAID YOU WERE GOING TO
- 17 INVESTIGATE THE SITUATION.

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19 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: CAN YOU STATE YOUR NAME FOR THE RECORD?

- 21 TERRY SIGMUND: TERRY SIGMUND, AND THAT DID NOT HAPPEN. THE
- 22 ABUSE THAT MY CHILDREN SUSTAINED HAS NOT BEEN INVESTIGATED.
- 23 IT'S ACTUALLY BEEN INVESTIGATED, QUOTE, "UNFOUNDED," BUT IT'S
- 24 BEEN INVESTIGATED WITHOUT INVESTIGATING. SO, YOU ALL COVER FOR
- 25 EACH OTHER, IT'S NOT GOING TO WORK. WE'RE NOT GOING TO GO WAY.



- 1 ANOTHER THING IS, WHICH IS UNBELIEVABLE, SOMEBODY CAME,
- 2 SOMEBODY ALLEGEDLY COMPLAINED THAT I'M BEATING MY CHILDREN.
- 3 WHAT'S VERY INTERESTING, THOUGH, IS FOR SIX MONTHS, NOBODY
- 4 CAME FROM THE D.C.F.S., WHICH I FIND UNBELIEVABLE, BECAUSE IN
- 5 THOSE SIX MONTHS, IF WHAT WAS SAID WAS TRUE, THEY WOULD BE
- 6 DEAD, LIKE GABRIEL, WHO HAS A HEARING TODAY ON THE MURDERS OF
- 7 HIM. THE THING IS, WHEN THEY CAME SIX MONTHS LATER, FIRST OF
- 8 ALL, THE GOOD THING IS THE POLICE CAME RIGHT AWAY, BECAUSE
- 9 THERE WAS ACTUALLY -- THERE WAS NOTHING GOING ON, WHICH THE
- 10 POLICE SAW, BECAUSE THEY CHECKED THE CHILDREN AND THERE WAS
- 11 NOTHING. SO THERE IS RECORD ABOUT AN INVESTIGATION WITH THE
- 12 POLICE. BUT THE D.C.F.S. COMES BY SIX MONTHS LATER AND THEN
- 13 WRITES IN A LETTER THAT THE INVESTIGATION IS INCONCLUSIVE.
- 14 WELL, THIS IS VERY SELF-SERVING. IF YOU SHOW UP SIX MONTHS
- 15 WHEN YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO SHOW UP WITHIN 30 DAYS AND THEN YOU
- 16 SAY IT'S INCONCLUSIVE ON MY RECORD, THAT IT LOOKS LIKE THERE'S
- 17 SOMETHING GOING ON, THAT IT'S INCONCLUSIVE, YOU SHOW UP SIX
- 18 MONTHS LATER AT ANYTHING, IT SHOULD BE INCONCLUSIVE. WHAT ARE
- 19 YOU EVER GOING TO SAY IT'S CONCLUSIVE? WHAT COULD YOU
- 20 CONCLUSIVELY COULD YOU POSSIBLE DECIDE SIX MONTHS LATER. THIS
- 21 IS SO IRRESPONSIBLE. AND IT'S THE SAME THING WHEN I WAS TOLD I
- 22 WAS ALLEDGEDLY NURSING LIKE A PERVERT BY A D.C.F.S., UH, WHAT
- 23 WAS HER FACE? WHATEVER HER NAME WAS. THERE IS ALLEGEDLY
- 24 NURSING SEXUALLY. IT DOESN'T EXIST. I HAVE TO REPORT MYSELF. I
- 25 WENT TO THE D.A. LIKE A RESPONSIBLE PERSON TO HAVE SUCH



- 1 NONSENSE INVESTIGATED. WHEN CRIMES ARE ALLEGED, THERE SHOULD
- 2 BE A REAL INVESTIGATION AND NOT THIS FARCE SHOWING UP SIX
- 3 MONTHS LATER AND SAYING YOU REALLY DON'T KNOW WHAT HAPPENED.

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5 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: NEXT SPEAKER?

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- 7 SUMTON SIGMUND: MY NAME IS SUMTON SIGMUND. THE D.C.F.S. ALWAYS
- 8 SAID HORRIBLE THINGS ABOUT MY MOTHER, ESPECIALLY JAMIE HINEY.
- 9 YOU THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS SAID YOU WILL INVESTIGATE THE
- 10 ABUSE WE SUFFERED. SOMEBODY WAS SUPPOSED TO SPEAK TO ME. THAT
- 11 NEVER HAPPENED. BUT YOU CLOSED THE CASE SAYING MY EXPERIENCE,
- 12 MY ABUSE UNFOUNDED. THAT IS DESPICABLE. I AM NOT GOING AWAY,
- 13 BECAUSE THIS IS CRIMINAL. I WANT MY BELONGINGS BACK FROM THE
- 14 HOUSE THAT I WAS SUPPOSED TO LIVE IN BECAUSE OF THE D.C.F.S.
- 15 LYING ABOUT MY MOTHER. THE MONEY IS MINE, TOO. WHEN I WAS
- 16 RETURNING HOME, THE ONLY --

- 18 TERRY SIGMUND: HE ONLY LET ME BRING A PENCIL? WHAT DOES THAT
- 19 MEAN? A PENCIL SIZED BOX. AND YOU SHOULD DO SOMETHING ABOUT IT
- 20 NOW. WHEN I WAS AT THE FOSTER CARE'S HOUSE, THE THERAPIST
- 21 SAID, "WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE WITH YOUR BAD MOTHER?" SHE ALSO
- 22 SAID BAD STUFF ABOUT HER. I DON'T REMEMBER NOW. AND IT WAS IN
- 23 FRONT OF THOSE PEOPLE GIVING ME A LOOK THAT SCARED ME, SO I
- 24 SAID YES. SO THEY HAD NORMAL FACES, THOSE PEOPLE. NOW I WISH I
- 25 HAD SAID YES EVEN THOUGH I FELT PRESSURED. THERE I ALWAYS WANT



- 1 TO BE WITH MY MAMA, BECAUSE IT'S RIGHT. PLEASE BLESS THE
- 2 CHILDREN WHO ARE MISTREATED BY CUSTODIANS AND DO NOT DIE
- 3 BECAUSE OF THEM. THEY'RE NOT DOING ANYTHING.

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5 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: OKAY. WE HAVE TWO MORE SPEAKERS. LES.

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- 7 LES SIGMUND: WHEN I WAS LIVING WITH THOSE MONSTERS,
- 8 [INAUDIBLE] ACTUALLY SAW -- [INAUDIBLE]

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- 10 TERRY SIGMUND: SAY IT OUT LOUD WHAT YOU MEANT. THE MAN YOU
- 11 WERE LIVING WITH?

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- 13 LES SIGMUND: THE MAN I WAS LIVING WITH, I ACTUALLY SAW HIS
- 14 PRIVATES. [INADUDIBLE]

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16 TERRY SIGMUND: WHICH IS ALSO SUPPOSED TO BE INVESTIGATED.

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- 18 LES SIGMUND: AND I GOT LOCKED IN A ROOM WHEN I WAS LITTLE.
- 19 [INAUDIBLE].

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21 TERRY SIGMUND: YOU SAID YOUR BROTHER WASN'T EATING?

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- 23 LES SIGMUND: NO. MY BROTHER WASN'T EATING FOR THREE DAYS.
- 24 NOBODY DID ANYTHING ABOUT IT.



- 1 TERRY SIGMUND: THIS IS ALL A NUMBER OF COMPLAINTS THAT MY
- 2 CHILDREN HAVE EXPRESSED THAT YOU SAID YOU WERE GOING TO
- 3 INVESTIGATE. MY CHILDREN ARE HERE. THEY WANT THEIR STUFF BACK.
- 4 THE FOUR, FIVE HUNDRED DOLLARS THEY SAVED BECAUSE I GAVE THEM
- 5 MONEY. YOU HAVE NO RIGHT TO STEAL FROM THESE CHILDREN. YOU
- 6 HAVE NO RIGHT TO IGNORE US. YOU HAVE NO RIGHT TO CLOSE CASES.
- 7 YOU ARE GOIGN TO DIE BEFORE THESE CHILDREN EVER GO AWAY. YOU
- 8 WILL REALLY NOT SEE THEM GO AWAY, THAT THEY WILL NOT COME. MY
- 9 CHILDREN ARE FINDING THEIR VOICE. YOU DON'T HAVE THEM UNDER
- 10 YOUR COMMAND ANYMORE. YOU CAN'T HIDE THEM FROM JUDGES. YOU
- 11 CAN'T HIDE THEM. YOU CAN'T LIE ABOUT THEM. YOU CAN'T LIE ABOUT
- 12 ME. YOU CAN STILL LIE ABOUT ME. BUT THEY ARE FINDING THEIR
- 13 VOICE. AND THIS ONE'S A CARBON COPY OF ME, SO JUST IMAGINE HOW
- 14 MUCH MY CASE IS GOING TO AWAY. SHE'S JUST BETTER OFF DEALING
- 15 WITH THE SITUATION. YOU BETTER OFF STOP LYING, STOP HIDING,
- 16 STOP IGNORING. YOU'RE NOT EVEN LOOKING AT THESE POOR CHILDREN
- 17 THAT I'VE COME HERE. I'VE TOLD YOU SO MUCH THAT WAS GOING ON.
- 18 I HAVE EVIDENCE. I STILL HAVE -- OH, BY THE WAY, JUST IN CASE
- 19 THE NEXT NEW THING WITH, YOU KNOW, WITH ALL THESE ALLEGATIONS,
- 20 I MEAN, BY ACCIDENT I GOT DRUG TESTED. I DIDN'T EVEN KNOW
- 21 THAT, THAT IS WAS A DRUG TESTING WITH THIS THING. SO, IF THIS
- 22 IS THE NEXT THING YOU WERE GOING TO SAY, I MEAN, WE'RE NOW
- 23 HAVING -- WE'RE LIVING IN A STATE WHERE WE WANT TO PROVE
- 24 EVERYTHING ABOUT OURSELVES BECAUSE WE KNOW WHAT YOU GUYS ARE



- 1 GOING TO END UP DOING. AND YOU NEED TO FIX THIS AND HOLD
- 2 ACCOUNTABLE THE PEOPLE WHO DID THIS.

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- 4 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: MA'AM, THERE'S AN AGENCY REPRESENTATIVE
- 5 FROM D.C.F.S. THAT WILL TALK TO YOU ON THE SIDE OVER THERE,
- 6 OKAY? OR ONE OF OUR STAFF FROM THE EXECUTIVE OFFICE. LAST
- 7 SPEAKER?

- 9 HERMAN HERMAN: CONSTRUCTIVE SPEECH. WHAT IS CONSTRUCTIVE
- 10 SPEECH NOWADAYS UNDER THE 54950 RULE OR THE MUNICIPAL CODE?
- 11 WHAT IS THE BROWN ACT? WE'VE HEARD IT ON THE NEWS FOR THE LAST
- 12 WEEK. WAYNE SPINDLER, WAYNE SPINDLER, CALL OUT TO WAYNE
- 13 SPINDLER. WAYNE SPINDLER'S NOT A RACIST. I CAN VOUCH FOR HIM.
- 14 AND THERE ARE OTHER PEOPLE WHO CAN, AS WELL. WAYNE SPINDLER
- 15 PUT ON A CARD AS MUCH AS I PUT ON MY CARD THE GARBAGE OF WHAT
- 16 WE THINK OF THOSE OF US WHO THINK WE'RE HORRIBLE PEOPLE
- 17 BECAUSE WE DEFEND THE PUBLIC FROM CORRUPTION, EMBEZZLEMENT,
- 18 FRAUD, WASTE, AND ABUSE SUCH AS YOU HEARD TIME OVER AND OVER
- 19 ABOUT POOR DEVELOPMENT FOR US VETERANS, THE VETERANS IN OUR
- 20 COMMUNITIES WHO HAVE NO PLACE TO PUT THEIR HEAD TO REST. AND
- 21 WHAT ABOUT THE SAME PEOPLE LIKE THIS FAMILY HERE CRYING, THE
- 22 CHILDREN? IT IRKS ME. IT IRKS ME THE MOST TO CALL OUT TO
- 23 BATMAN TO GO TO THE L.A. POLICE COMMISSION MEETING THIS
- 24 MORNING WITH THE RED CHIEF TO ANNOUNCE WHY DO YOU STRIKE DOWN
- 25 WAYNE SPINDLER? HE'S NOT A RACIST. IF HE'S A RACIST THEN I'M A



- 1 RACIST. WE'RE ALL RACISTS. BUT WE'RE NOT. HERB WESSON, JR. IS
- 2 NOT HERB WESSON, JR. HIS NAME IS HERMAN. HERMAN WESSON, JR.
- 3 PERJURY. ON THE CONTRACT WITH THE CITY. CITY CHARTER RULES.
- 4 VIOLATION. PERJURY. PERJURY. VOTE NO FOR MITCH
- 5 ENGLANDER FOR COUNTY BOARD SUPERVISOR. 54954. VOTE NO FOR
- 6 JANICE HAHN COUNTY BOARD SUPERVISOR SEAT, BECAUSE NONE OF THEM
- 7 EXIST. GO TO THE CITY MEETING TODAY. MITCH ENGLANDER IS
- 8 ABSENT. STOP SACRIFICING POLITICAL SPEECH TO A --

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- 10 HILDA SOLIS, CHAIR: OKAY, MEMBERS, WE'LL NOW BE TAKEN INTO
- 11 CLOSED SESSION BY OUR EXECUTIVE OFFICER.

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- 13 LORI GLASGOW, EXEC. OFCR.: IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN ACT
- 14 REQUIREMENTS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF
- 15 SUPERVISORS WILL CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEM NO.
- 16 C.S.-2, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL REGARDING EXISTING
- 17 LITIGATION; ITEM NO. C.S.-4, DEPARTMENT HEAD PERFORMANCE
- 18 EVALUATIONS AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AGENDA. PLEASE BE
- 19 ADVISED THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
- 20 IS SCHEDULED FOR TUESDAY, MAY 31ST, 2016, BEGINNING AT 1 P.M.

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REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION MAY 24, 2016
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    No reportable action was taken on items CS-2 or CS-4.
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    In open session item CS-1 was referred back to County Counsel.
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    In open session item CS-3 was continued one week to May 31,
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    2016.
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2	6029/RPR/CRR qualified in and for the State of California, do
3	hereby certify:
4	That the transcripts of proceedings recorded by the Los
5	Angeles County Board of Supervisors May 24, 2016,
6	were thereafter transcribed into typewriting under my
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8	That the transcript of recorded proceedings as archived
9	in the office of the reporter and which have been provided to
10	the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors as certified by
11	me.
12	I further certify that I am neither counsel for, nor
13	related to any party to the said action; nor
14	in anywise interested in the outcome thereof.
15	IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand this $2^{\rm nd}$
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